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SUBJECT: Proposed Rule for Emergency Promulgation – Academic Facilities Partnership Program

LEGAL AUTHORIZATION: The Commission for Arkansas Public School Academic Facilities and Transportation may “adopt, amend, and rescind rules as necessary or desirable for the administration of the Arkansas Public School Academic Facilities Program and any other related program.” Ark. Code Ann. § 6-21-114(e).

A portion of this rule implements Act 936 of 2015, specifically that the project minimum required under A.C.A. § 6-20-2507 (b)(1)(C) does not apply to a construction project with a school nursing center.

Other portions of this rule implement Act 962 of 2015, specifically the rule establishes that any applicants requesting a review conference must submit such requests at least 60 days prior to the deadline for program applications, requires that a review conference shall consider whether or not the proposed application meets all technical requirements of an application, and that the division shall make a written record of the findings of the review conference and provide a copy to the school district within 5 working days after finalization of the record.