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**MEMORANDUM NO.:** 18 (96-97)

TO: State Department and University Purchasing Office Addressed

FROM:  George C. Banks, CPPO  
Director, Division of Purchasing

SUBJECT: Division of Purchasing Rule 60A-7.005, Florida Administrative Code

The purpose of this Memorandum is to remind agencies of the requirements of Division of Purchasing Rule 60A-7.005, Florida Administrative Code.

The Rule was amended January 1, 1996, to require that agencies submit "reasonable determination" in writing to PRIDE (the Corporation) 10 business days prior to a commitment to purchase other than PRIDE'S product. To date only 12 agencies have complied with this requirement; 80% of all reasonable determinations received were filed by three (3) agencies: Department of Juvenile Justice, Department of Highway Safety & Motor Vehicles and Department of Transportation (Lake City District only). Nineteen agencies have failed to comply. Without the documentation required by the Rule, the Division of Purchasing and PRIDE cannot determine if reasonable determinations are based on price, quality, service, or personal preference and are therefore unable to take action to correct any problem. Agencies are therefore urged to take appropriate steps to ensure full compliance with Rule 60A-7.005, Florida Administrative Code.

Should you have any questions, please contact Bob Glover at 488-8303.

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cc: Office of the Comptroller