LEGAL REQUIREMENTS AND RESPONSIBILITY TO THE PUBLIC – PREFERENCE TO STATE RESIDENTS.
(REV 3-13-26) (FY 2027-28)

SECTION 7 is expanded by the following new Article:

7-29 Preference to State Residents.

Florida Statutes 255.099 (Chapter 2010-147, Section 50, Laws of Florida), providing for preference to residents of the State of Florida, is hereby made a part of this Contract:

Each contract that is funded by state funds must contain a provision requiring the Contractor to give preference to the employment of state residents in the performance of the work on the project if state residents have substantially equal qualifications to those of nonresidents.

As used in this Section, the term "substantially equal qualifications" means the qualification of two or more persons among whom the employer cannot make a reasonable determination that the qualifications held by one person are better suited for the position than the qualifications held by the other person or persons.