THE FULL TEXT OF THE PROPOSED RULE IS:

6A-1.0504 Best and Brightest Award Subject Area Content Expert
In order to allow school districts and charter school governing boards to distribute recruitment awards for the Best and Brightest Award as authorized in section 1012.731, F.S., a content expert means the following:

(1) For mathematics, science, computer science, reading and civics, a person who has sufficient subject matter expertise as defined in 6A-1.0503(2)(a); or

(2) For the areas of mathematics, science, or computer science, a person who has either:
   (a) Earned at least a master’s degree from an institution accredited by the United States Department of Education in the areas of mathematics, science, computer science, or an equivalent field of study as determined by the employing school district or charter school governing board; or
   (b) Earned at least a bachelor’s degree from an institution accredited by the United States Department of Education in the areas of mathematics, science, computer science, or an equivalent field of study as determined by the employing school district or charter school governing board, and who has at least five (5) years’ teaching experience in the associated subject area or at least five (5) years’ work experience in the associated subject area.

(3) For the area of civics, a person who has either:
   (a) Earned at least a master’s degree from an institution accredited by the United States Department of Education in the areas of political science, American history, social studies, law, social science, or an equivalent field of study as determined by the employing school district or charter school governing board; or
   (b) Earned at least a bachelor’s degree from an institution accredited by the United States Department of Education in the areas of political science, American history, social studies, legal studies, social science, or an equivalent field of study as determined by the employing school district or charter school governing board, and who has at least five (5) years’ teaching experience in the associated subject area or at least five (5) years’ work experience in the associated subject area.

(4) For the area of reading, a person who has either:
   (a) Earned at least a master’s degree from an institution accredited by the United States Department of Education in the areas of reading, literacy instruction, or an equivalent field of study as determined by the employing school district or charter school governing board; or
   (b) Earned at least a bachelor’s degree from an institution accredited by the United States Department of Education in reading, literacy instruction, or an equivalent field of study as determined by the employing school district or charter school governing board and who has at least five (5) years’ teaching experience in reading.

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