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MEMORANDUM

TO: School District Superintendents

FROM: Jacob Oliva

DATE: August 19, 2022

SUBJECT: House Bill 7 – Call for African American History Standards Workgroup Members

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[House Bill 7](#), signed by Governor DeSantis on April 22, 2022, and effective July 1, 2022, amends section [1003.42\(2\)\(h\)](#), Florida Statutes, revising and expanding requirements for required instruction on the history of African Americans.

The Florida Department of Education is seeking qualified individuals for a workgroup to review the standards related to African American History. Individuals selected to participate in this workgroup are encouraged to have at least one of the following qualifications:

- Hold a Florida Educator Certificate in 6-12 Social Science or Elementary Education K-6;
- Be a school lead History teacher or a district staff member with experience working in Social Science or Elementary Education; or
- Have experience teaching African American History and working with Florida's Social Studies Standards related to African American History.

Workgroup meeting participation will be on a hybrid basis with some meetings occurring in person and other meetings conducted remotely. Participation will be ongoing and participants must be available for multiple meetings. Travel reimbursement will be paid.

Individuals seeking to participate in this workgroup must email their interest, including a resume with the above qualifications, to John.Duebel@fldoe.org by September 2, 2022.

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cc: District Social Studies Coordinators

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