SUBJECT: The Costs of Online Learning: Complete Florida Degree Initiative

PROPOSED COMMITTEE ACTION

For information

AUTHORITY FOR BOARD OF GOVERNORS ACTION

Article IX, Section 7, Florida Constitution

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

The 2014 Legislature, in Section 1006.735, Florida Statutes, directed Complete Florida institutions to “collaboratively identify the applicable cost components involved in the development and delivery of distance learning courses, collect information on these cost components, and submit the information to the chancellors of the Florida College System and the State University System.” Dr. Pam Northrup, UWF, will present the report to the Committee.

Section 1006.735, Florida Statutes, also directed the two chancellors to “submit a report to the chairs of the legislative appropriations committees no later than December 31, 2014, on the need for a differentiated tuition and fee structure for the development and delivery of distance learning courses.” Chancellor Criser will explain the letter he and Chancellor Hanna jointly sent to the Legislature.

Supporting Documentation Included:

a. The Costs of Online Learning: Complete Florida Degree Initiative
b. Joint letter from Chancellors Criser and Hanna to legislative Appropriations Committee chairs

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