

**STATE UNIVERSITY SYSTEM OF FLORIDA
BOARD OF GOVERNORS**

January 22, 2015

SUBJECT: 2015-2016 Legislative Budget Request Issue

PROPOSED BOARD ACTION

Consider an additional legislative budget request of \$222,644 for the FSU Clearinghouse for Applied Research if recommended by the Budget and Finance Committee.

AUTHORITY FOR BOARD OF GOVERNORS ACTION

Article IX, Section 7, Florida Constitution; Section 216.023, Florida Statutes

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

The Clearinghouse for Applied Research (Clearinghouse) was established in 1998 to establish a single resource for connecting businesses, government, and the community with the expertise and resources available within the State University System. The Clearinghouse is maintained by the Center for Information Management and Educational Services (CIMES) which is housed within the Florida State University Institute for Science and Public Affairs. The Clearinghouse provides a number of online information and reporting resources on behalf of the System and the Chancellor's Office, as outlined in supporting documents.

Although the Clearinghouse has expanded its resource offerings in recent years, primarily at the request of the Chancellor's Office, CIMES has not received additional funding to support the new initiatives or to cover critical system rebuilds and enhancements to handle the increased data collection load. Additional funding in the amount of \$222,644 (\$175,200 recurring and \$47,444 non-recurring) is requested for Florida State University to enhance and maintain the Clearinghouse for Applied Research on behalf of the State University System.

Attached is a summary of the Board's approved LBR with possible amendments from the Academic and Student Affairs Committee.

Supporting Documentation Included: Information located in the Academic and Student Affairs Committee materials