

**STATE UNIVERSITY SYSTEM OF FLORIDA
BOARD OF GOVERNORS
Academic and Student Affairs Committee
March 18, 2015**

SUBJECT: Campus Safety and Security: UPDATE

PROPOSED COMMITTEE ACTION

For Information

AUTHORITY FOR BOARD OF GOVERNORS ACTION

Article IX, Section 7, Florida Constitution; Board of Governors Regulation 8.012

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

Following two serious and highly-publicized incidents of campus security that occurred at state universities in 2013 and 2014, the Board's Academic & Student Affairs Committee engaged with campus administrative and student affairs leadership to assess whether state universities have sufficient resources to provide for and sustain student safety and campus security. In late 2014, Committee Chair Tripp met with representatives of the SUS Police Chiefs, Vice Presidents for Student Affairs, and University Emergency Coordinators to receive an update on current campus security issues and concerns. University leaders identified a number of campus security challenges and focused on two issues: (1) law enforcement staffing needs in an expanding State University System, and (2) the increasing need for well-trained, professional counseling services to address the mental and behavioral health of university students.

Board staff has prepared an Information BRIEF document that summarizes the two identified issues and will review this information with the committee. In addition, representatives of the SUS Police Chiefs and the SUS Counseling Center Directors will be available to comment on the issues and to respond to questions from the committee.

Supporting Documentation Included: Information BRIEF

Facilitators/Presenters:

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