

**STATE UNIVERSITY SYSTEM OF FLORIDA
BOARD OF GOVERNORS
September 22, 2016**

SUBJECT: Public Notice of Intent to Approve Amended Board of Governors
Regulation 7.008 Waivers and Exemptions of Tuition and Fees

PROPOSED BOARD ACTION

Approve amended Board of Governors Regulation 7.008 Waivers and Exemptions of Tuition and Fees

AUTHORITY FOR BOARD OF GOVERNORS ACTION

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

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

This regulation was noticed for public comment after the June 23, 2016 meeting. Several changes are being made to address statutory changes approved during the 2016 session.

House Bill 799 amends section 1009.26(14), Florida Statutes, by waiving out-of-state fees for active duty service members of the Armed Forces of the United States residing or stationed outside of Florida. This means all enrolled active duty service members should be charged an equivalent amount of tuition and fees per credit hour as charged to a resident student in the same course.

House Bill 1157 amends section 1009.26(8), Florida Statutes, by modifying the Purple Heart waiver to allow recipients of a Purple Heart or other combat decoration superior in precedence who were residents of the state at the time of military action to receive the tuition and fee waiver, no matter where the recipients are currently residing. Additionally, the legislation allows for the waiver of tuition and fees for recipients currently living in Florida whose home of record at the time of military action was another state.

House Bill 7040 modified the welfare transition program exemption which has been added to the regulation.

No public comments were received during the notice period.

Supporting Documentation Included: Regulation 7.008