



Foreign Influence Implementation

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HB 7017, Relating to Foreign Influence:

- Passed 2021
- Effective 7/1/2021
- Created 5 new laws

Foreign Influence, Implementation



Implementation Activities to Date:

**Regulation 9.012,
*Foreign Influence***

**System
Workgroups**

**Compliance & Submission
Guidance**

**Reporting Applications &
Training**

**Boards of Trustees Summit,
Panel Discussion**

Regulation Development



9.012 Foreign Influence

(1) Definitions

- (a) "Affiliate organization" means any entity under the control of or established for the benefit of an organization required to report under this regulation, including a direct support organization;
- (b) "Contract" means any agreement for the acquisition by purchase, lease, or barter of property or services by the foreign source, for the direct benefit or use of either of the parties, and any purchase, lease, or barter of property or services from a foreign country of concern as defined in this regulation;
- (c) "Direct-support organization" has the same meaning as provided in section 1004.28(1)(a), Florida Statutes;
- (d) "Foreign country of concern" means the People's Republic of China, the Russian Federation, the Islamic Republic of Iran, the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, the Republic of Cuba, the Venezuelan regime of Nicholas Maduro, or the Syrian Arab Republic, including any agency of or any other entity under significant control of such foreign country of concern;
- (e) "Foreign government" means the government of any country, nation, or group of nations, or a province or other political subdivision of any country or nation, other than the government of the United States or the government of a state or political subdivision, including any agent of such foreign government;
- (f) "Foreign source" means any of the following:
 1. A foreign government or otherwise, created solely under the laws of a foreign state or states;
 2. An individual who is not a citizen or a national of the United States or a territory or protectorate of the United States; and
 3. An agent, including a subsidiary or an affiliate of a foreign legal entity, acting on behalf of a foreign source.
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- (g) "Gift" means any contract, gift, grant, endowment, award, or donation of money or property of any kind, or any combination thereof, including a conditional or an unconditional pledge of such contract;
- (h) "Grant" means a transfer of money for a specified purpose, including a conditional gift;
- (i) "Institution of higher education" means a state university, an entity listed in subpart B of part II of chapter 1004, Florida Statutes, that has its own governing board, or an affiliate organization of such university or entity;
- (j) "Pledge" means a promise, an agreement, or an expressed intention to give a gift.

Board of Governors Regulation
9.012, *Foreign Influence*,
approved November 4, 2021



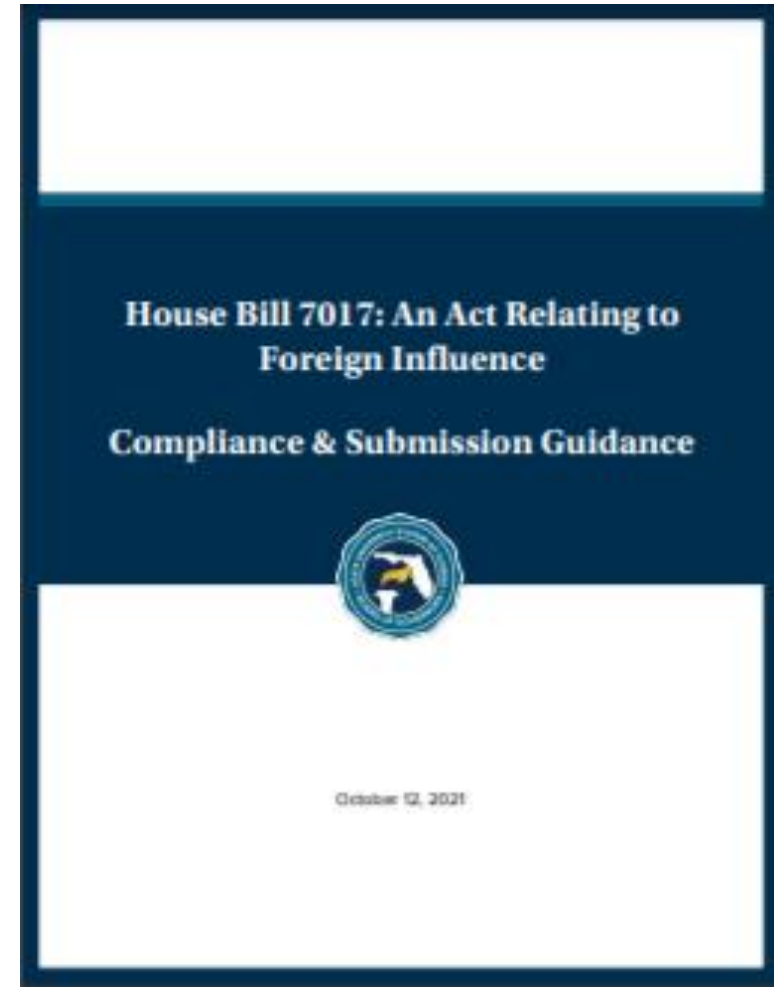
University and Board Staff Communication:

- Council of Counsels
- Council of Academic Vice Presidents
- Vice Presidents for Research
- Compliance Officers



Guidance and Reporting:

- *Foreign Influence Guidance and Submission* document issued.
- Reporting tool developed.



Protecting Research Integrity Panel, Trustee Summit, November 3, 2021



Governor Alan Levine
Moderator



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University of Florida,
Panelist



Trustee Eric Chicken
Florida State University,
Panelist



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**Report to Board of
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