SUBJECT: House Bill 1507 General Education Badging Update

PROPOSED COMMITTEE ACTION

For information

AUTHORITY FOR BOARD OF GOVERNORS ACTION

Article IX, Section 7, Florida Constitution

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

During the 2021 Legislative Session, House Bill 1507 amended section 1007.25, Florida Statutes, requiring public postsecondary institutions to award students an interoperable digital badge upon completing general education core courses that demonstrate career readiness.

The statute requires the State Board of Education and the Board of Governors to jointly appoint faculty committees to identify the career readiness competencies within the general education core that will result in the awarding of the digital badge. These badges must be awarded and recognized by both Florida College System and State University System institutions. The statute requires the first badge to be implemented for students who enter a postsecondary institution in fall 2022.

Ms. Emily Sikes, Assistant Vice Chancellor for Strategic Initiatives and Economic Development, will provide an update on the implementation of the general education core digital badges.

Supporting Documentation Included: None

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