

STATE UNIVERSITY SYSTEM OF FLORIDA
BOARD OF GOVERNORS
Audit and Compliance Committee
March 29, 2022

SUBJECT: Public Notice of Intent to Amend Board of Governors Regulation 4.002,
State University System Chief Audit Executives

PROPOSED COMMITTEE ACTION

Approve the public notice of intent to amend Board of Governors Regulation 4.002,
State University System Chief Audit Executives.

AUTHORITY FOR BOARD OF GOVERNORS ACTION

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

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

This regulation recognizes that State University System of Florida chief audit executives are a point for coordination of, and responsibility for, activities that promote accountability, integrity, and efficiency. It requires each board of trustees to have an audit and compliance committee with responsibilities defined in a charter. It also requires a charter for the office of chief audit executive which defines duties for audits, investigations and other activities that promote economy, efficiency, and effectiveness of university programs and operations.

The regulation provides for organizational independence of the chief audit executive through a functional reporting relationship to the board of trustees and provides the chief audit executive timely access to information and people necessary to carry out the duties of their office.

To maintain the applicability and relevance of Board of Governors Regulations, the Office of Inspector General and Director of Compliance recently reviewed the Chapter 4 regulations for possible amendments. A track changes version of the proposed amendments is included in the meeting materials, and a summary description of the proposed amendments is as follows:

- Clarify, where applicable, reporting is to be to the Board of Governors Office through the Office of Inspector General and Director of Compliance;
- Add a new requirement for quarterly updates to the Board of Governors Audit and Compliance Committee of any chief audit executive vacancy of more than six months and the efforts to fill such vacancy; and

- Duplicate language from regulation 4.001, paragraphs (5) and (6), requiring university boards of trustees to adopt regulation(s) related to significant and credible allegations of fraud, waste, mismanagement, misconduct, and other abuses made against the university president, a board of trustees member, or chief audit executive.

This regulation has been reviewed internally by Board Office staff and externally by appropriate university representatives through the established regulation development process. If the Committee approves the regulation draft, it will be presented to the Board of Governors for review and approval consideration of the notice of intent to amend. It will then be noticed on the Board's website for 30 days and presented to the Board of Governors for final approval consideration at the June 2022 meeting.

Supporting Documentation:

Amended Draft, Regulation 4.002

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