SUBJECT: Public Notice of Intent to Amend Board of Governors Regulation 8.003, Textbook and Instructional Materials Affordability

PROPOSED COMMITTEE ACTION
Consider approval of Public Notice of Intent to Amend Board of Governors Regulation 8.003, Textbook and Instructional Materials Affordability.

AUTHORITY FOR BOARD OF GOVERNORS ACTION
Article IX, Section 7, Florida Constitution

BACKGROUND INFORMATION
Board of Governors Regulation 8.003, Textbook and Instructional Materials Affordability has been amended to address changes from Senate Bill 7044 from the 2022 Legislative Session. This legislation amended section 1004.085, Florida Statutes, requiring the universities to maintain a database of required and recommended textbooks and instructional materials that is searchable by specified components and downloadable. The database must also include course syllabi for general education courses. The database must contain the required information for at least five academic years, starting with postings for the fall 2022 term.

If approved by the Academic and Student Affairs Committee and the Board of Governors, the amended regulation will be available for public comment for thirty days. If no concerns are raised during that time, the regulation will come before the Board of Governors for final approval at the next meeting.

Dr. Christy England, Vice Chancellor for Academic and Student Affairs, will provide an overview of the amendment to the regulation.

Supporting Documentation Included: Regulation 8.003 Textbook and Instructional Materials Affordability

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