STATE UNIVERSITY SYSTEM OF FLORIDA BOARD OF GOVERNORS

September 14, 2022

SUBJECT: Public Notice of Intent to Amend Board of Governors Regulation 8.012, Academic Program Termination and Temporary Suspension of New Enrollments

PROPOSED BOARD ACTION

Consider approval of Public Notice of Intent to Amend Board of Governors Regulation 8.012, Academic Program Termination and Temporary Suspension of New Enrollments.

AUTHORITY FOR BOARD OF GOVERNORS ACTION

Article IX, Section 7, Florida Constitution

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

At the January 2022 Board of Governors' meeting, Board Chair Lamb requested that Board staff conduct a comprehensive review of regulations and address potential changes. During this review, Board staff identified opportunities to update and streamline Board of Governors Regulation 8.012, Academic Program Termination and Temporary Suspension of New Enrollments. Regulation 8.012 outlines the requirements and process for an academic program's termination or suspension of new enrollments.

Board staff propose an amendment to Regulation 8.012 to decrease the program termination timeline for doctoral and professional programs. The proposed amendment provides additional flexibility to institutions to terminate programs at the doctoral and professional levels without coming to the Board of Governors for approval. The proposed amendment would also make the following changes to align with other Board regulations.

- Under Regulation 8.002, institutions cannot terminate a program funded through Education and General funds in favor of an identical or similar self-supporting or market tuition rate program at the same level.
- Consistent with Regulation 8.008, the termination or suspension of new enrollments in nursing master's programs must be considered for approval by the Board of Governors before implementation.

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.

Supporting Documentation Included:

In Academic and Student Affairs Committee Materials