SUBJECT: Public Notice of Intent to Repeal Board of Governors Regulation 8.015, Academic Program Review

PROPOSED COMMITTEE ACTION

Consider approval of Public Notice of Intent to Repeal Board of Governors Regulation 8.015, Academic Program Review.

AUTHORITY FOR BOARD OF GOVERNORS ACTION

Article IX, Section 7, Florida Constitution

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

Board of Governors Regulation 8.015, Academic Program Review, requires institutions to review academic degree programs at least once every seven years to assess how programs are achieving student learning outcomes and program objectives within the context of the university’s mission. Following each program review, institutions must submit a summary report to the Board office for review.

Board staff propose repealing Regulation 8.015 as these actions are not required in Florida Statute and to allow for institutional flexibility in maintaining program quality. State universities currently assess the productivity of academic programs at least once every three years and use the results of these assessments to inform strategic planning, program development, and budgeting decisions. Additionally, programs with specialized accreditation also undergo a comprehensive review to ensure academic standards are being met. System institutions may continue to review programs and develop review procedures best suited to the unique needs and goals of the institution or the programs.

If approved by the Academic and Student Affairs Committee and the Board of Governors, the notice of intent to repeal will be available for public comment for 14 days. If no concerns are raised during that time, the repeal of 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 rationale for repealing this regulation.

Supporting Documentation Included: Regulation 8.015, Academic Program Review

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