SUBJECT: Public Notice of Intent to Amend Board of Governors Regulation 6.013, Military Veterans and Active Duty

PROPOSED COMMITTEE ACTION

Consider approval of Public Notice of Intent to Amend Board of Governors Regulation 6.013, Military Veterans and Active Duty.

AUTHORITY FOR BOARD OF GOVERNORS ACTION

Article IX, Section 7, Florida Constitution

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

Board of Governors Regulation 6.013, Military Veterans and Active Duty, governs institutions’ responsibilities regarding military students.

Board staff propose an amendment to align the regulation with section 1004.071, Florida Statutes, which was signed into law on May 6, 2023. The law expands the definition of military students and establishes the Collegiate Purple Star Campus program. The Collegiate Purple Star Campus program allows for educational institutions to be designated as military-friendly for meeting certain criteria.

The proposed amendment to Regulation 6.013 broadens the definition of military students to include spouses and dependents and defines military liaison. The proposed amendment establishes the criteria and process for institutions to receive a Purple Star Campus designation. It also outlines a process to maintain the designation of Collegiate Purple Star Campus.

If approved by the Academic and Student Affairs Committee and the Board of Governors, the amended regulation will be available for public comment for 14 days. If no concerns are raised, the regulation will come before the Board of Governors for final approval at the next meeting.

Ms. Emily Sikes, Assistant Vice Chancellor for Strategic Initiatives and Economic Development, will provide an overview of the proposed amendment to the regulation.

Supporting Documentation Included:

- Regulation 6.013, Military Veterans and Active Duty;
- Collegiate Purple Star Campus program application;
- Senate Bill 732

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