STATE UNIVERSITY SYSTEM OF FLORIDA BOARD OF GOVERNORS

November 9, 2023

SUBJECT: Public Notice of Approval of Adoption of Board of Governors Regulation

8.015, Workforce Education Partnership Programs

PROPOSED BOARD ACTION

Consider approval of Public Notice of Approval of Adoption of Board of Governors Regulation 8.015, Workforce Education Partnership Programs.

AUTHORITY FOR BOARD OF GOVERNORS ACTION

Article IX, Section 7, Florida Constitution

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

Established by the 2023 Legislature, section 1009.771, Florida Statutes, creates the Workforce Education Partnership Program for state universities. The program is designed to provide assistance to students who enroll at state universities and are employed by a private employer participating in the program. The new law requires the Board of Governors to adopt a regulation to administer the program and to create an application template for state universities.

The proposed new regulation aligns with section 1009.771, Florida Statutes, and outlines a process for institutions to establish a Workforce Education Partnership Program. The proposed regulation specifies student eligibility requirements and the process for employers to participate in the program. It also establishes the components required of each Workforce Education Partnership Program, including how universities and employers will ensure tuition assistance and other financial aid for participating students. The proposed regulation also requires universities to provide an annual report on activities for each Workforce Partnership Education Program using a template determined by the Chancellor.

The Board of Governors approved the Public Notice of Intent to Amend Board of Governors Regulation 8.015, Workforce Education Partnership Programs, at its September 8, 2023 meeting. Following the approval of the public notice of intent, no public comments were received, and the amended regulation is ready for final approval.

Supporting Documentation Included:

Regulation 8.015, Workforce Education Partnership Programs