STATE UNIVERSITY SYSTEM OF FLORIDA BOARD OF GOVERNORS

Budget and Finance Committee

June 18, 2025

SUBJECT: Out-of-State Fee

PROPOSED COMMITTEE ACTION

Consider allowing universities to increase the out-of-state fee by up to 15 percent.

AUTHORITY FOR BOARD OF GOVERNORS ACTION

Section 1009.24(4)(b), Florida Statute; Board Regulation 7.001

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

Florida statute authorizes the Board of Governors to establish tuition for graduate and professional programs and out-of-state fees for all programs. In addition to the basic tuition, out-of-state students are charged an out-of-state fee. Thus, the tuition and out-of-state fee encompasses the full amount needed to provide instruction to the student. Changes to tuition or the out-of-state fee may not exceed 15 percent in any year.

Board of Governors Regulation 7.001 outlines the process to consider tuition or out-of-state fee increases.

The attached Tuition and Out-of-State Fee Overview document includes various information on tuition and fees, including revenue projections if the fee is increased five, ten or fifteen percent. The out-of-state fee has not been increased in more than a decade, with some universities not increasing the fee in about 20 years. During this time, Florida's undergraduate out-of-state tuition/fee has fallen well below the national average. Out-of-state enrollments, for both undergraduate and graduate students, have also risen dramatically during this time as students take advantage of Florida's low cost while attending the number one higher education system in the country.

It is recommended that universities be allowed to increase the out-of-state fee for undergraduate, graduate, and professional programs by 15 percent for the upcoming academic year if the university scored at least 70 points on the 2025 Performance-Based Funding model. Universities scoring less than 70 points may increase the fee by a maximum of 10 percent.

Supporting Documentation Included:

Tuition and Out-of-State Fee Overview

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