

STATE UNIVERSITY SYSTEM OF FLORIDA
BOARD OF GOVERNORS
Academic and Student Affairs Committee
August 29, 2019

SUBJECT: Public Notice of Intent to Amend Board of Governors Regulation 8.003
Textbook and Instructional Materials Affordability

PROPOSED COMMITTEE ACTION

Consider approval of Public Notice of Intent to Amend Board of Governors Regulation 8.003 Textbook and Instructional Materials Affordability

AUTHORITY FOR BOARD OF GOVERNORS ACTION

Article IX, Section 7, Florida Constitution

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

Board of Governors Regulation 8.003 Textbook and Instructional Materials Affordability has been amended to address Senate Bill 6, which amended subsections (4) and (8) of section 1004.085, Florida Statutes.

The amendments include the following.

1. Omitting the requirement for state university boards of trustees to examine the cost of textbooks and instructional materials by course and course section for all general education courses offered at the institution each semester to identify variance in the cost of textbooks and instructional materials among different sections of the same course.
2. Omitting the requirement for state university boards of trustees to review the percentage of textbooks and instructional materials that remain in use for more than one term.
3. Omitting the requirement for institutions to report the selection process for general education courses identified with a wide cost variance in the board of trustees' annual report to the Chancellor.

If approved by the Academic and Student Affairs Committee and the full Board of Governors, the Intent to Amend will be available for public comment for thirty days. If

no concerns are raised by that time, the Regulation will come before the Board of Governors for final approval.

Supporting Documentation Included:

Board of Governors Proposed
Amendment to Regulation 8.003
Textbook and Instructional Materials
Affordability

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