STATE UNIVERSITY SYSTEM OF FLORIDA BOARD OF GOVERNORS

July 21, 2020

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

PROPOSED BOARD 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 changes in section 1004.085(4), Florida Statutes from the 2020 Legislative Session. The amendment requires that innovative pricing techniques and payment options for course materials include an opt-out provision in addition to the opt-in provision for students. The opt-out provision may be approved provided there is documented evidence that opting out reduces the cost of textbooks and instructional materials for students taking a course.

If approved by the Board of Governors, the Intent to Amend will be available for public comment for thirty days. If no concerns are raised during that time, the regulation will come before the Board of Governors for final approval.

If approved by the Academic and Student Affairs Committee, this request will be forwarded to the Full Board for consideration.

Supporting Documentation Included:

In Academic and Student Affairs
Committee materials