

**STATE UNIVERSITY SYSTEM OF FLORIDA
BOARD OF GOVERNORS
Academic and Student Affairs Committee
November 5, 2014**

SUBJECT: Florida Center for Adaptation, Resilience, and Economic Stability (Florida CARES) Legislative Budget Request

PROPOSED COMMITTEE ACTION

For information and discussion

AUTHORITY FOR BOARD OF GOVERNORS ACTION

Article IX, Section 7, Florida Constitution

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

The universities associated with the Florida Climate Institute (FAU, FIU, FSU, UCF, UF, USF, and UM) propose to create Florida CARES to bring together universities across the state, regional agencies, and the business community to create an economy more resilient to risks from hurricanes, periodic droughts and floods, higher sea levels, and future climate trends. The purpose is to make Florida more competitive through collaborative research and targeted training programs, and to create marketable expertise and technologies to meet the increasing demands of the state's future.

The universities are requesting \$1,645,000 in recurring funds and \$15,735,000 in non-recurring funds in the 2015-2016 Legislative Budget Request to implement Florida CARES.

Supporting Documentation Included:	Florida Center for Adaptation, Resilience, and Economic Stability (Florida CARES) Legislative Budget Request LBR Form I
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Facilitators/Presenters:	University Representative
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