

**STATE UNIVERSITY SYSTEM OF FLORIDA  
BOARD OF GOVERNORS**

June 28, 2024

**SUBJECT:** Public Notice of Intent to Amend Board of Governors Regulation 10.015, Institutes and Centers

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**PROPOSED BOARD ACTION**

Consider approval of Public Notice of Intent to Amend Board of Governors Regulation 10.015, Institutes and Centers.

**AUTHORITY FOR BOARD OF GOVERNORS ACTION**

Article IX, Section 7, Florida Constitution

**BACKGROUND INFORMATION**

Board of Governors Regulation 10.015, Institutes and Centers, defines different types of institutes and centers. It also outlines the requirements for establishing, disbanding, reviewing, and evaluating the effectiveness of institutes and centers.

Board staff proposes an amendment to better organize and streamline Regulation 10.015. The proposed amendment clarifies the definitions for State of Florida institutes and centers and adds a new category for institutes and centers created by the Florida Legislature. It outlines requirements for maintaining the inventory of active university institutes and centers, streamlines university reporting requirements, and makes other technical changes.

The proposed amendment changes how the active list of centers and institutions is maintained. Universities will be required to maintain a list of active institutes and centers on their public websites. The Board of Governors' website will provide a link to each university's list.

Currently, the regulation requires universities to evaluate each institute and center every seven years, at minimum, and submit a summary of each evaluation to the Board office within 30 days of completion. Board staff propose eliminating the seven-year evaluation requirement from the regulation and delegating the evaluation responsibility to each university's board of trustees. The proposed amendment reduces the university's annual reporting requirements to the Board office and requires universities to annually certify that institutes and centers are in compliance with all Florida statutes and Board of Governors' regulations.

If approved by the Academic and Student Affairs Committee and the Board of Governors, the amended regulation will be available for public comment for 14 days. If no concerns are raised during that time, the regulation will come before the Board of Governors for final approval at the next meeting.

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**Supporting Documentation Included:** In Academic and Student Affairs  
Committee Materials