

**STATE UNIVERSITY SYSTEM OF FLORIDA  
BOARD OF GOVERNORS  
Academic and Student Affairs Committee  
September 18, 2024**

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

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**PROPOSED COMMITTEE ACTION**

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

**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 and Transparency, requires each university board of trustees to adopt a regulation to establish affordability policies to minimize the cost of the course materials for students. The regulation also outlines the annual reporting requirements.

Board staff proposes an amendment to require each university board of trustees to outline a process for textbook and instructional materials approval and adoption in a university regulation. The proposed amendment also includes the requirement for faculty and instructors to attest that all required course materials have been reviewed for each course they teach each semester and are appropriate for the course.

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.

Ms. Emily Sikes, Interim Vice Chancellor for Academic and Student Affairs, will provide an overview of the proposed amendment.

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**Supporting Documentation Included:**

Regulation 8.003, Textbook and Instructional Materials Affordability and Transparency

**Facilitators/Presenters:**

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