FLORIDA BOARD OF GOVERNORS NOTICE OF PROPOSED AMENDED REGULATION

DATE: June 30, 2022

REGULATION NUMBER AND TITLE: 7.008, Waivers and Exemptions of Tuition and Fees

- 2. Senate Bill 234 amends section 10096F.S., malngapdates to the Programs of Stratege Emphasis river laddings/metriver programs.
- 3. Senate Bill 7034 amends the fee exemption langagin section 1009,5F.S., for students to meet the Department of Children and Families custodyor adoptiongardianship criteria and includes specific criteria regrdinghe definition of homeless students and documentation of homeless status.
- 4. House Bill 45 reates section 2911, F.S., and specifies that disabed veterans two meet certain criteria are elige for a river of tuition and fees in the amount that is the difference between that is paid in accordance in the federal lawned the full amount of tuition and fees at the institution attended.

FULL TEXT OF THE REGULATION IS INCLUDED WITH THIS NOTICE.

AUTHORITY TO PROPOSE REGULATION(S): Section 7(d), Art. IX, Fla. Const.; Board Regulation Development Procedure dated March 23, 2006.

THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS' OFFICIAL INITIATING THE PROPOSED REGULATION: Tim Jones, Vice Chancellor Finance and Administration

COMMENTS REGARDING THE PROPOSED REGULATION SHOULD BE SUBMITTED WITHIN 14 DAYS OF THE DATE OF THIS NOTICE TO THE CONTACT PERSON IDENTIFIED BELOW. The comments must identify the regulation on which you are commenting:

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duties on or after July 1, 2019.

- 1. The amount waived by the university must be in an amount equal to the cost of tuition and associated fees for a total of 120 credit hours. The child or spouse may attend on either a full-time or part-time basis. The benefits provided to a child under this section must continue until the the birthday. The benefits provided to a spouse under this subsection must commence within five (5) years after the death occurs, and entitlement thereto may continue until the 10th anniversary of that death.
- 2. Upon failure of any child or spouse who receives a waiver in accordance with this subsection to comply with the ordinary and minimum requirements regarding discipline and scholarship of the institution

- 2. A student who becomes eligible for benefits under the provisions of this paragraph while enrolled in a university must be in good standing with the institution to receive the benefits provided herein.
- 3. A child receiving benefits under this paragraph must be enrolled according to the customary rules and requirements of the university attended.
- (e) Deceased Active Duty Member of the United State Armed Forces Each university board of trustees must waive certain educational expenses that the child or spouse of the deceased active duty United States Armed Forces member incurs while obtaining an undergraduate education or a postgraduate education if a member is killed or receives bodily injury while on active duty which results in the loss of the

- 1. Attended a secondary school in this state for three (3) consecutive years immediately before graduating from a high school in this state;
- 2. Apply for enrollment in an institution of higher education with 24 months after high school graduation; and
- 3. Submit an official Florida high school transcript as evidence of attendance and graduation.
- 4. The waiver is applicable for 110 percent of the required credit hours of the undergraduate degree or certificate program for which the student is enrolled.
- A state university student granted an out-of-state fee waiver must be considered a non-resident student for purposes of calculating the systemwide total enrollment of non-resident students as limited in Regulation 7.006.
- 6. A student who is granted an out of state fee waiver is not eligible for state financial aid.
- 7. Each university shall, within the non-resident student enrollment system-wide, prioritize the enrollment of a veteran who is granted an out-of-state fee waiver pursuant to paragraph L over a student who is granted an out-of-state fee waiver under this paragraph.

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and fees for a disabled veteran who is:

- 1. A Florida resident pursuant to section 1009.21, Florida Statutes;
- 2. Determined by the United States Department of Veterans Affairs to have a service-connected 100-percent total and permanent disability rating for compensation;
- 3. In receipt of disability retirement pay from any branch of the United
 States Armed Services or has been issued a valid identification card by
 the Department of Veterans Affairs in accordance with section 295.17,
 Florida Statutes;
- 4. Enrolled in a program of education approved for educational assistance under 38 U.S.C. s. 3313; and
- 5. Does not qualify for the 100-percent eligibility tier under federal law.

The waiver amount is equal to the difference between the portion of tuition and fees paid in accordance with federal law and the full amount of tuition and fees at the institution attended. The amount awarded by the state is not to be determined until after the application of federal benefits under 38 U.S.C. s. 3313.

(r)(q) Online Free Seat Program Each university board of trustees shall waive the tuition and fees for one online course foorvTdf[Eder4 (t)-3398on a BT / emb 0 61

- the tuition rate as specified in s. 1009.24(4), F.S., and 75 percent of the tuition differential pursuant to s. 1009.24(16), F.S., if the student remains enrolled at least part-time in the program during each academic year. A student who qualifies for this tuition discount is eligible to receive the discount for up to 110 percent of the number of required credit hours of the degree program for which the student is enrolled.
- For purposes of this program, fees shall be those associated fees specified in Board Regulation 7.001 Tuition and Associated Fees and the distance learning fee defined in Board Regulation 7.003 Fees, Fines and Penalties.
- 5. Fee waivers granted pursuant to this subsection may not exceed 1,000 students system-wide each academic year. The Chancellor will determine the maximum number of waivers for this program per institution.
- (s)(r) Programs of Strategic Emphasis Waiver For every course in a Program of Strategic Emphasis, as identified in sub-paragraph 3, in which a student is enrolled, a state university shall waive 100 percent of the tuition and fees for an equivalent course in such program for a student who:
 - 1. Is a resident for tuition purposes under s. 1009.21, F.S.;
 - 2. Has earned at least 60 semester credit hours towards a baccalaureate degree within two academic years after initial enrollment at a Florida public postsecondary institution;
 - 3. Enrolls in one of eight ten Programs of Strategic Emphasis as adopted by the Board of Governors. The Board of Governors shall adopt eight Programs of Strategic Emphasis in science, technology, engineering, or mathematics and, beginning with the 2022-2023 academic year, two Programs of Strategic Emphasis in the critical workforce gap analysis category for which a student may be eligible to receive the tuition and fee waiver authorized by s. 1009.26(18), F.S. The programs identified by the board must reflect the priorities of the state and be offered at a majority of state universities.
 - 4. A waiver granted under this subsection is applicable only for upper-level courses and up to 110 percent of the number of required credit hours of the baccalaureate degree program f 292.85 234.73612 792 re W*6n645a6dR3a stud

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(b) Earns a high school diploma comparable to a Florida standard high school diploma, or its equivalent, or completes a home education program.

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- (1) A chieves an SAT combined score no lower than the 89th national percentile on the SAT;
- (2) A chieves an ACT score concordant to the required SAT score in sub-subparagraph (a), using the latest published national concordance table developed jointly by the College Board and ACT, Inc.; or
- (3) If a state university accepts the Classic Learning Test (CLT) for admission purposes, achieves a CLT score concordant to the required SAT score specified in sub-subparagraph (a), using the latest published scoring comparison developed by Classic Learning Initiatives.
- (d) Beginning with the students who initially enroll in the 2022 fall academic term and thereafter, enrolls as a full-time undergraduate student at a state university in the fall academic term immediately following high school graduation.
- 2. The waiver under this subsection is applicable for up to 110 percent of the number of required credit hours of the degree progBa 792 re Wü8IB 318.41 383.35Hp (

students system-wide each academic year; the Chancellor will

identified by a university as a person who engages in the direct supervision of at least one university intern for 300 contact hours, which may be accumulated over multiple semesters provided at least 100

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