## FLORIDA BOARD OF GOVERNORS NOTICE OF PROPOSED REGULATION AMENDMENT

DATE: September 17, 2013

REGULATION NUMBER AND TITLE: 7.008 Waiver of Tuition and Fees

## SUMMARY:

This regulation is being amended to clarify the number of credit hours that may be waived for students classified as homeless.

FULL TEXT OF THE REGULATION IS INCLUDED WITH THIS NOTICE.

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

THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS' OFFICIAL INITIATING THE PROPOSED REGULATION: Tim Jones, Chief Financial Officer

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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## 7.008 Waiver of Tuition and Fees

(1) Each university board of trustees is authorized to waive tuition, non-resident tuition and associated fees for purposes that support and enhance the mission of the university. All tuition, non-resident tuition and associated fees waived must be based on regulations that are adopted by the university board of trustees and where applicable, consistent with regulations adopted by the Board of Governors.

(2) Sponsored Credit Institutes and Programs – Each university board of trustees is authorized to waive tuition, associated fees and material and supply fees for participants in sponsored credit institutes and programs.

- (a) Sponsored credit institutes and programs are entities where substantially all the direct costs are paid by the external sponsoring entity, where there is no direct expenditure of Educational and General funds for the conduct of the programs, and where no fees or other assessments are collected from students by the sponsoring entity, the university, or any other entity.
- (b) In determining whether the direct costs are paid by the sponsoring entity, funds paid directly to the participants in a form such as, but not limited to, stipen

and grants trust fund and/or auxiliary trust funds.

- (c) Funds collected from courses offered through continuing education should be budgeted in the Auxiliary Trust Fund.
- (d) Neither the number of participants nor student credit hours in these institutes and programs may be counted for state-funding purposes.

(3) Deceased Law Enforcement, Correctional, or Correctional Probation Officers Employed by the State or Political Subdivision thereof – Each university board of trustees shall waive certain educational expenses that the child or spouse of the deceased officer incurs while obtaining an undergraduate education or a postgraduate education if a law enforcement, correctional, or correctional probation officer is accidentally killed or receives accidental bodily injury which results in the loss of the officer's life while engaged in the performance of the officer's law enforcement duties on or after June 22, 1990, or is unlawfully and intentionally killed or dies as a result of such unlawful and intentional act on or after July 1, 1980, while the officer was employed by a political subdivision of the state.

(a) The amount waived by the university shall be 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 shall continue until the child's 25th birthday. The benefits provided to a spouse under this subsection must commence within 5 years after the death occurs, and entitlement thereto shall continue until the 10th anniversary of that death.

- (b) Upon failure of any child or spouse benefited by the provisions of this subsection to comply with the ordinary and minimum requirements of the institution attended, both as to discipline and scholarship, the benefits shall be withdrawn as to the child or spouse and no further moneys may be expended for the child's or spouse's benefits so long as such failure or delinquency continues.
- (c) Only a student in good standing in his or her respective university may receive the benefits.
- (d) A child or spouse receiving benefits under this subsection must be enrolled according to the customary rules and requirements of the university attended.

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(5) Acceleration – Each university board of trustees shall waive tuition and

and associated fees for a total of 120 credit hours at a university. The child may attend on either a full-time or part-time basis. The benefits provided under this paragraph shall continue until the child's 25th birthday.

- (a) Upon failure of any child benefited by the provisions of this paragraph to comply with the ordinary and minimum requirements of the university attended, both as to discipline and scholarship, the benefits shall be withdrawn as to the child and no further moneys may be expended for the child's benefits so long as such failure or delinquency continues.
- (b) A student who becomes eligible for benefits under the provisions of this paragraph while enrolled in an university must be in good standing with the institution to receive the benefits provided herein.
- (c) A child receiving benefits under this paragraph must be enrolled according to the customary rules and requirements of the university attended.

(10) Homeless – Each university board of trustees shall waive tuition and associated fees for <u>up to</u> a total of 120 credit hours <u>for an undergraduate degree</u> program or for any undergraduate degree program that exceeds 120 hours approved pursuant to Regulation 8.014 for any student who lacks a fixed, regular, and adequate nighttime residence, <u>excluding university housing</u>, or whose primary nighttime residence is a public or private shelter designed to provide temporary residence for individuals intended to be institutionalized, or a public or private place not designed for, or ordinarily used as, a regular sleeping accommodation for human beings.

(11) Purple Heart Recipients – Each university board of trustees shall waive undergraduate tuition and associated fees for each recipient of a Purple Heart, or another combat decoration superior in precedence which was awarded for valor, and who:

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presented to the postsecondary institution. However, the updated DD-214 must be submitted to the postsecondary institution by the start of the student's next term of enrollment for continued eligibility for the waiver. In situations where a service member is on active duty and has not been issued a DD-214, the official (service specific) transmitting correspondence that would normally accompany such an award or a certification of the appropriate combat award by the service specific administrative record ()(m)2(b)2(a)7(e)3()4(b)4(er)-4(i)2(a)2 t)-5(io)-5 tc c or-36 -1.24 Td()-6 those persons whose fees are waived in all cases where classroom spaces are limited.

(15) Intern Supervisors – Persons who supervise interns for institutions within the State University System may be given one non-transferable certificate (fee waiver) for each full academic term during which the person serves as an intern supervisor. This certificate shall provide for waiver of the basic fee (as defined in Regulation 7.001). committed the act, nor did not aid, abet or act as an accomplice or accessory to the act or offense.