

SUMMARY OF PROPOSED FLORIDA STATE UNIVERSITY EMERGENCY REGULATION 6C2R-ER08-1, TUITION AND FEES AND PROPOSED FLORIDA STATE UNIVERSITY REGULATION AMENDMENT TO REGULATION 6C2R-2.024, TUITION AND FEES:

The proposed regulations are identical in content; the only difference is that the emergency regulation would take effect immediately. The permanent regulation would take effect upon filing after the required notice procedure.

The emergency regulation and companion permanent regulation adopt a schedule of tuition and fees as authorized by the Legislature.

As authorized by law, the proposed regulations increase general undergraduate tuition by six percent and creates a tuition differential of nine percent. The differential is not charged to prepaid tuition contracts in effect on July 1, 2007 or to students in attendance before July 1, 2007 who maintain continuous attendance. The undergraduate out of state fee is increased ten percent. Graduate tuition is increased ten percent with no increase in the graduate out of state fee. Law school tuition is increased by fifteen percent with no increase in the out of state fee. Financial aid fees, tied to these fees, are adjusted proportionally.

SPECIFIC REASONS FOR FINDING AN IMMEDIATE DANGER TO THE HEALTH, SAFETY OR WELFARE: Section 1009.24 F.S. requires the Board of Governors, or its designee, to set university tuition and fees to be charged by the University. The Board of Trustees is the Board of Governors' designee. On June 11, 2008, the 2008 General Appropriations Bill, Laws of Florida 2008-152, was approved by the Governor, to be effective July 1, 2008.

Because the normal Regulation adoption procedure will take longer than the time before which tuition and fee bills must be assessed, an emergency regulation, as specifically authorized by Board of Governors procedures, is required and in the best interest of the public to maintain the crucial funding of university operations for the 2008-2009 academic year. Section 1009.24, Florida Statutes specifically requires that "The sum of tuition and out-of-state fees assessed to nonresident students must be sufficient to offset the full instructional cost of serving such students."

The Emergency Regulation, 6C2R-ER08-1, Tuition And Fees, is paired with an identical permanent regulation, an amendment to 6C2R-2.024 Tuition and Fees, adopted under the normal procedure.

REASON FOR CONCLUDING THAT THE PROCEDURE IS FAIR UNDER THE CIRCUMSTANCES: Adequate notice of the proposed action by the Board of Trustees was included in the published agenda of their June 13, 2008 meeting.

AUTHORITY FOR THE PROPOSED UNIVERSITY REGULATION: The authority for the proposed regulation is as follows: Florida Board of Governors Regulation Development Procedure for State University Boards of Trustees, 2008

General Appropriations Bill, Laws of Florida 2008-152 and Sections 1001.74(3) (c) and 1009.24, Florida Statutes.

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PROCEDURE FOR PROVIDING COMMENTS ON THE PROPOSED

UNIVERSITY REGULATION: Any person may submit written comments concerning the proposed regulation within 14 days of the date of this notice to:

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