A bill to be entitled

An act relating to postsecondary education; amending s. 11.45, F.S.; revising actions to be taken by the Legislative Auditing Committee relating to audits of state universities and Florida College System institutions; amending s. 20.15, F.S.; establishing the Office of K-20 Articulation in the Department of Education; amending s. 215.425, F.S.; excluding a state university from certain provisions prohibiting extra compensation; amending ss. 250.10, 1001.02, 1001.03, and 1001.64, F.S.; conforming provisions; amending s. 1001.706, F.S.; requiring the strategic plan of the Board of Governors to include criteria for designating high-demand degree programs of emphasis; creating s. 1001.7065, F.S.; creating the preeminent state research universities program; establishing a collaborative partnership between the Board of Governors and the Legislature to elevate the academic and research preeminence of the highest-performing state research universities; establishing academic and research excellence standards for universities to be designated a preeminent state research university; providing for a preeminent state research university to establish an online arm of the university; providing duties and responsibilities of a board of directors, the university president and board of trustees, and the Board of Governors to provide online degree programs, including establishment of a tuition

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structure for the online arm; providing for a preeminent state research university to implement certain enhancements; authorizing a preeminent state research university to establish special course requirements; providing for preeminent state research university flexibility; encouraging the Board of Governors to promote additional programs of excellence; amending s. 1003.433, F.S.; clarifying high school graduation requirements; deleting a fee exemption for certain students in an adult general education program; amending s. 1004.015, F.S.; revising purpose, membership, and guiding principles of the Higher Education Coordinating Council; amending s. 1004.02, F.S.; revising definitions relating to adult general education and instruction to attain academic and workforce readiness skills; creating s. 1004.082, F.S.; providing for support for talent retention programs for certain middle school and high school students; amending s. 1004.43, F.S., relating to the H. Lee Moffitt Cancer Center and Research Institute; requiring the Board of Trustees of the University of South Florida to enter into a lease agreement with the not-for-profit corporation operating the institute for the utilization of lands and facilities; revising membership of the corporation's board of directors; deleting certain duties of the Board of Governors; providing for an external advisory board of scientific advisers to the

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institute's chief executive officer; amending s. 1004.91, F.S.; revising requirements for basic skills instruction for career education programs; amending s. 1004.92, F.S.; authorizing a variance in intended student performance standards in career education programs; amending s. 1004.93, F.S.; revising provisions relating to adult education program priorities; amending s. 1006.735, F.S.; establishing the Complete Florida Degree Program and providing requirements for its implementation; amending s. 1007.01, F.S.; revising duties of the Articulation Coordinating Committee relating to collecting and reporting statewide education data; amending ss. 1007.21 and 1007.23, F.S.; conforming provisions; amending s. 1007.25, F.S.; authorizing additional postsecondary general education core course options; increasing the required number of semester hours of general education coursework; amending ss. 1007.263 and 1007.271, F.S.; conforming provisions; creating s. 1008.02, F.S.; providing definitions for purposes of ch. 1008, F.S., relating to assessment and accountability for the K-20 education system; amending s. 1008.30, F.S.; providing for a college placement test to assess basic computation and communication skills of students who intend to enter a public postsecondary education degree program; requiring the approval of meta-majors, academic pathways, and degree maps related to student progression; requiring the

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State Board of Education to establish test scores to demonstrate college readiness; requiring the state board to adopt rules to implement developmental education; providing requirements for Florida College System institution policies and practices relating to student placement, instructional options, and financial aid; amending s. 1008.32, F.S.; revising provisions relating to State Board of Education oversight enforcement authority; creating s. 1008.322, F.S.; providing that the Board of Governors shall oversee the performance of state university boards of trustees in the enforcement of laws, rules, and regulations; providing responsibilities for compliance by state universities; authorizing specified actions by the Board of Governors for noncompliance; amending ss. 1008.34 and 1008.37, F.S.; conforming provisions; amending s. 1009.22, F.S.; providing requirements relating to fees for students in adult education programs; amending s. 1009.23, F.S.; revising provisions relating to tuition and fees for Florida College System institution baccalaureate degree programs; amending ss. 1009.25, 1009.28, 1009.40, and 1009.53, F.S.; conforming provisions; amending s. 1009.531, F.S.; deleting an eligibility requirement for a Florida Bright Futures Scholarship Program award; amending s. 1009.73, F.S.; conforming provisions; amending s. 1009.89, F.S.; deleting an eligibility requirement for a William L. Boyd, IV,

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Florida resident access grant; amending s. 1009.891, F.S.; deleting an eligibility requirement for an Access to Better Learning and Education grant; amending s. 1011.80, F.S.; revising provisions relating to the basis for funding workforce education programs; providing requirements for performance funding for industry certifications for school district workforce education programs; revising provisions relating to funding for coenrolled students; providing for contingent effect; amending s. 1011.81, F.S.; providing requirements for performance funding for industry certifications for Florida College System institutions; providing for contingent effect; amending s. 1011.84, F.S.; conforming provisions; amending s. 1011.905, F.S.; revising the formula upon which performance funding for state universities is based and awarded; providing for contingent effect; providing effective dates.

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Section 1. Paragraph (j) of subsection (7) of section 11.45, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

- 11.45 Definitions; duties; authorities; reports; rules.-
- (7) AUDITOR GENERAL REPORTING REQUIREMENTS.-
- (j) The Auditor General shall notify the Legislative
 Auditing Committee of any financial or operational audit report
 prepared pursuant to this section which indicates that a state

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university or Florida College System institution has failed to take full corrective action in response to a recommendation that was included in the two preceding financial or operational audit reports.

- 1. The committee may direct the governing body of the state university or Florida College System institution to provide a written statement to the committee explaining why full corrective action has not been taken or, if the governing body intends to take full corrective action, describing the corrective action to be taken and when it will occur.
- 2. If the committee determines that the written statement is not sufficient, the committee may require the chair of the governing body of the state university or Florida College System institution, or the chair's designee, to appear before the committee.
- 3. If the committee determines that the state university or Florida College System institution has failed to take full corrective action for which there is no justifiable reason or has failed to comply with committee requests made pursuant to this section, the committee shall refer the matter to the State Board of Education or the Board of Governors, as appropriate, to proceed in accordance with ss. 1008.32 and 1008.322, respectively may proceed in accordance with s. 11.40(2).
- Section 2. Paragraph (h) of subsection (3) of section 20.15, Florida Statutes, is redesignated as paragraph (i), and a new paragraph (h) is added to that subsection to read:
- 20.15 Department of Education.—There is created a Department of Education.

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- (3) DIVISIONS.—The following divisions of the Department of Education are established:
 - (h) Office of K-20 Articulation.
- Section 3. Paragraph (a) of subsection (2) of section 215.425, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:
- 215.425 Extra compensation claims prohibited; bonuses; severance pay.—
 - (2) This section does not apply to:
- (a) A bonus or severance pay that is paid wholly from nontax revenues and nonstate-appropriated funds, the payment and receipt of which does not otherwise violate part III of chapter 112, and which is paid to an officer, agent, employee, or contractor of a state university or a public hospital that is operated by a county or a special district; or
- Section 4. Paragraph (b) of subsection (7) of section 250.10, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:
 - 250.10 Appointment and duties of the Adjutant General.-
- (7) The Adjutant General shall develop an education assistance program for members in good standing of the Florida National Guard who enroll in an authorized course of study at a public or nonpublic institution of higher learning in the state which has been accredited by an accrediting body recognized by the United States Department of Education or licensed by the Commission for Independent Education. This program shall be known as the Educational Dollars for Duty program (EDD).
- (b) The program shall define those members of the Florida National Guard who are ineligible to participate in the program and those courses of study which are not authorized for the

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197 program.

- 1. Ineligible members include, but are not limited to, any member, commissioned officer, warrant officer, or enlisted person who has obtained a master's degree using the program.
- 2. Courses not authorized include noncredit courses, courses that do not meet degree requirements, courses that do not meet requirements for completion of career training, or other courses as determined by program definitions.
- 3. <u>Developmental education</u> College-preparatory courses are authorized for the program.
- Section 5. Paragraph (g) of subsection (4), subsection (5), and paragraph (d) of subsection (6) of section 1001.02, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:
 - 1001.02 General powers of State Board of Education.-
 - (4) The State Board of Education shall:
- (g) Specify, by rule, the college credit courses that may be taken by Florida College System institution students concurrently enrolled in <u>developmental education</u> college—

 preparatory instruction.
- (5) The State Board of Education is responsible for reviewing and administering the state program of support for the Florida College System institutions and, subject to existing law, shall establish the tuition and out-of-state fees for developmental education college-preparatory instruction and for credit instruction that may be counted toward an associate in arts degree, an associate in applied science degree, or an associate in science degree.
 - (6) The State Board of Education shall prescribe minimum

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standards, definitions, and guidelines for Florida College System institutions that will ensure the quality of education, coordination among the Florida College System institutions and state universities, and efficient progress toward accomplishing the Florida College System institution mission. At a minimum, these rules must address:

- (d) Provisions for curriculum development, graduation requirements, college calendars, and program service areas. These provisions must include rules that:
- 1. Provide for the award of an associate in arts degree to a student who successfully completes 60 semester credit hours at the Florida College System institution.
- 2. Require all of the credits accepted for the associate in arts degree to be in the statewide course numbering system as credits toward a baccalaureate degree offered by a state university or a Florida College System institution.
- 3. Beginning with students initially entering a Florida College System institution in 2014-2015 and thereafter, Require no more than $\underline{36}$ 30 semester credit hours in general education courses in the subject areas of communication, mathematics, social sciences, humanities, and natural sciences.

The rules should encourage Florida College System institutions to enter into agreements with state universities that allow Florida College System institution students to complete upper-division-level courses at a Florida College System institution. An agreement may provide for concurrent enrollment at the Florida College System institution and the state university and

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may authorize the Florida College System institution to offer an upper-division-level course or distance learning.

Section 6. Subsection (10) of section 1001.03, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

1001.03 Specific powers of State Board of Education.-

(10) <u>COLLEGE COMMON PLACEMENT TESTING FOR PUBLIC</u>
POSTSECONDARY EDUCATION.—The State Board of Education, in conjunction with the Board of Governors, shall develop and implement a <u>college common</u> placement test to assess the basic computation and communication skills of students who intend to enter a degree program at any Florida College System institution or state university.

Section 7. Subsection (9) of section 1001.64, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

1001.64 Florida College System institution boards of trustees; powers and duties.—

(9) A board of trustees may contract with the board of trustees of a state university for the Florida College System institution to provide <u>developmental education</u> college preparatory instruction on the state university campus.

Section 8. Paragraph (b) of subsection (5) of section 1001.706, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

1001.706 Powers and duties of the Board of Governors.-

- (5) POWERS AND DUTIES RELATING TO ACCOUNTABILITY.-
- (b) The Board of Governors shall develop a strategic plan specifying goals and objectives for the State University System and each constituent university, including each university's contribution to overall system goals and objectives. The

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strategic plan must:

- 1. Include performance metrics and standards common for all institutions and metrics and standards unique to institutions depending on institutional core missions, including, but not limited to, student admission requirements, retention, graduation, employment, continued education, licensure passage, excess hours, student loan burden and default rates, faculty awards, total annual research expenditures, patents, licenses and royalties, intellectual property, startup companies, annual giving, endowments, and well-known, highly respected national rankings for institutional and program achievements.
- 2. Consider reports and recommendations of the Higher Education Coordinating Council pursuant to s. 1004.015 and the Articulation Coordinating Committee pursuant to s. 1007.01.
- 3. Include student enrollment and performance data delineated by method of instruction, including, but not limited to, traditional, online, and distance learning instruction.
- 4. Include criteria for designating baccalaureate degree and master's degree programs at specified universities as high-demand programs of emphasis. Fifty percent of the criteria for designation as high-demand programs of emphasis must be based on achievement of performance outcome thresholds determined by the Board of Governors, and 50 percent of the criteria must be based on achievement of performance outcome thresholds specifically linked to:
- a. Job placement in employment of 36 hours or more per week and average full-time wages of graduates of the degree

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programs 1 year and 5 years after graduation, based in part on data provided in the economic security report of employment and earning outcomes produced annually pursuant to s. 445.07.

- b. Data-driven gap analyses, conducted by the Board of Governors, of the state's job market demands and the outlook for jobs that require a baccalaureate degree or a higher degree.
- Section 9. Section 1001.7065, Florida Statutes, is created to read:
 - 1001.7065 Preeminent state research universities program.-
- COLLABORATION.—A collaborative partnership is established between the Board of Governors and the Legislature to elevate the academic and research preeminence of Florida's highest-performing state research universities in accordance with this section. The partnership stems from the State University System Governance Agreement executed on March 24, 2010, wherein the Board of Governors and leaders of the Legislature agreed to a framework for the collaborative exercise of their joint authority and shared responsibility for the State University System. The governance agreement confirmed the commitment of the Board of Governors and the Legislature to continue collaboration on accountability measures, the use of data, and recommendations derived from such data.
- (2) ACADEMIC AND RESEARCH EXCELLENCE STANDARDS.—Effective July 1, 2013, the following academic and research excellence standards are established for the preeminent state research universities program:
 - (a) An average weighted grade point average of 4.0 or

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higher on a 4.0 scale and an average SAT score of 1800 or higher
for fall semester incoming freshmen, as reported annually.

- (b) A top-50 ranking on at least two well-known and highly respected national public university rankings, reflecting national preeminence, using most recent rankings.
- (c) A freshman retention rate of 90 percent or higher for full-time, first-time-in-college students, as reported annually to the Integrated Postsecondary Education Data System (IPEDS).
- (d) A 6-year graduation rate of 70 percent or higher for full-time, first-time-in-college students, as reported annually to the IPEDS.
- (e) Six or more faculty members at the state university who are members of a national academy, as reported by the Center for Measuring University Performance in the Top American Research Universities (TARU) annual report.
- (f) Total annual research expenditures, including federal research expenditures, of \$200 million or more, as reported annually by the National Science Foundation (NSF).
- (g) Total annual research expenditures in diversified nonmedical sciences of \$150 million or more, based on data reported annually by the NSF.
- (h) A top-100 university national ranking for research expenditures in five or more science, technology, engineering, or mathematics fields of study, as reported annually by the NSF.
- (i) One hundred or more total patents awarded by the

 United States Patent and Trademark Office for the most recent 3
 year period.
 - (j) Four hundred or more doctoral degrees awarded

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- annually, as reported in the TARU annual report.
 - (k) Two hundred or more postdoctoral appointees annually, as reported in the TARU annual report.
 - (1) An endowment of \$500 million or more, as reported in the Board of Governors annual accountability report.
- (3) PREEMINENT STATE RESEARCH UNIVERSITY DESIGNATION.—The Board of Governors shall designate each state research university that meets at least 11 of the 12 academic and research excellence standards identified in subsection (2) a preeminent state research university.
- (4) PREEMINENT STATE RESEARCH UNIVERSITY ONLINE ARM.—The state research university that has attained the highest level on the academic and research excellence standards identified in subsection (2), as verified by the Board of Governors, shall establish a fully online arm of the university in accordance with this subsection, subject to funds appropriated by the Legislature.
- (a)1. A board of directors shall develop, implement, and oversee the business aspects of the university's online arm, while the university president and board of trustees, in conjunction with the Board of Governors, shall be responsible for academic quality, accreditation, and curricular standards. The university president and board of trustees, the board of directors, and the Board of Governors shall collaborate and cooperate in their respective roles to achieve the purpose of successfully providing fully online high-quality baccalaureate and master's degree programs to the university's enrolled online students in Florida and around the world.

| 2. The university president shall designate a center to |
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| help lead the university to global preeminence in the |
| development of cutting-edge technology and instructional design |
| for online programs. The center shall conduct research to enrich |
| the university's online degree program offerings and enhance the |
| success of the university's online students. The center shall |
| provide academic and administrative support structures to |
| undergird the delivery of content and degree programs by the |
| various colleges and departments throughout the university. The |
| center shall work jointly with the university president and the |
| board of directors in their respective roles. |

- (b) The board of directors shall be comprised of the following seven members:
- 1. The university president, or the president's permanent designee.
- 2. The chair of the university board of trustees, or the chair's permanent designee.
- 3. A member with expertise in global marketing, appointed by the Governor.
- 4. A member with expertise in cloud virtualization, appointed by the President of the Senate.
- 5. A member with expertise in disruptive innovation in online learning, appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives.
- 6. A member with expertise in online program accreditation, appointed by the chair of the Board of Governors.
- 7. A member with expertise in creative technologies, appointed by the chair of the Florida Polytechnic University

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Board of Trustees.

- (c) A majority of the board of directors shall constitute a quorum, elect the chair, and appoint an executive director.
- (d) The board of directors shall develop a business plan and may contract with other entities and institutions, public or private, to maximize the marketing, advertising, support services that include financial aid assistance and academic and career guidance, and degree programs and courses of the university's online arm.
- (e) Beginning in January 2014, the university shall offer high-quality fully online baccalaureate degree programs as directed by the board of directors that:
 - 1. Accept full-time, first-time-in-college students.
- 2. Have the same rigorous admissions criteria as an equivalent on-campus degree program.
- 3. Offer curriculum of equivalent rigor to on-campus degree programs.
- 4. Offer rolling enrollment or multiple windows of enrollment throughout the year.
- 5. Do not require any on-campus courses. However, for courses or programs that require clinical training or laboratories that cannot be delivered online, the university shall offer convenient locational options to the student, which may include, but not be limited to, the option to complete such requirements at a summer-in-residence on the university campus. Additionally, for purposes of proctored assessments or testing, the university may provide a network of sites at convenient locations and contract with commercial testing centers or

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identify other secure testing services.

- 6. Apply the university's existing policy for accepting credits for both freshman applicants and transfer applicants.
- (f) The university must offer a fully online Masters in Business Administration degree program and may offer other master's degree programs as recommended by the university president and board of trustees and authorized by the board of directors.
- (g) The university may develop and offer degree programs and courses that are competency based as appropriate for the quality and success of the program and as recommended by the university president and board of trustees and authorized by the board of directors.
- (h) The university shall periodically expand its offering of online baccalaureate degree programs, as recommended by the university president and board of trustees and authorized by the board of directors, to meet student and market demands.
- (i) The university shall establish a tuition structure for its online arm in conjunction with the board of directors and in accordance with this paragraph, notwithstanding any other provision of law.
- 1. For students classified as residents for tuition purposes, tuition for an online baccalaureate degree program shall be set at no more than 75 percent of the tuition rate as specified in the General Appropriations Act pursuant to s.

 1009.24(4) and 75 percent of the tuition differential pursuant to s. 1009.24(16). No distance learning fee or fee for campus facilities or on-campus services may be assessed, except that

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online students shall pay the university's technology and financial aid fees and the Capital Improvement Trust Fund fee.

The Capital Improvement Trust Fund fee shall be dedicated to the university's online research center.

- 2. For students classified as nonresidents for tuition purposes, tuition may be set at market rates as directed and authorized by the board of directors in accordance with the business plan.
- 3. Tuition for the online degree programs shall include all costs associated with the program, including, but not limited to, instruction, materials, and enrollment. However, an online student may be charged the cost of any hard-copy textbook and any physical laboratory supplies necessary for the program.
- 4. Subject to the limitations in subparagraph 1., tuition may be differentiated by degree program as appropriate to the instructional and other costs of the program and as recommended by the university president and board of trustees and authorized by the board of directors in accordance with the business plan. Pricing must incorporate innovative approaches that incentivize persistence and completion, including, but not limited to, fee for assessment, bundled or all-inclusive rate, and sliding scale features.
- 5. The university must accept advance payment contracts and student financial aid.
- 6. The board of directors shall ensure that 50 percent of the net revenues generated from the online arm of the university is used to enhance and enrich the online arm of the university and 50 percent of the net revenues generated from the online arm

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of the university is used to enhance and enrich the university's campus state-of-the-art research programs and facilities.

- (5) PREEMINENT STATE RESEARCH UNIVERSITY ENHANCEMENT
 INITIATIVE.—The state research university that has attained the
 second highest level on the academic and research excellence
 standards identified in subsection (2), as verified by the Board
 of Governors, shall recruit National Academy Members, expedite
 provision of a master's degree in cloud virtualization, and
 institute an entrepreneurs—in—residence program throughout its
 campus, subject to funds appropriated by the Legislature.
- REQUIREMENTS AUTHORITY.—In order to provide a jointly shared educational experience, a state university that is designated a preeminent state research university may require its incoming first-time-in-college students to take a 9-to-12-credit set of courses specifically determined by the university. The state university may stipulate that credit for such courses may not be earned through any acceleration mechanism, pursuant to s. 1007.27 or s. 1007.271, or other transfer credit. All accelerated credits earned up to the limits specified in ss. 1007.27 and 1007.271 shall be applied toward graduation at the student's request.
- (7) PREEMINENT STATE RESEARCH UNIVERSITY FLEXIBILITY

 AUTHORITY.—The Board of Governors shall identify and grant all reasonable, feasible authority and flexibility to keep a designated preeminent state research university free from unnecessary restrictions.
 - (8) PROGRAMS OF EXCELLENCE THROUGHOUT THE STATE UNIVERSITY

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SYSTEM.—The Board of Governors is encouraged to establish standards and measures whereby individual programs in state universities that objectively reflect national excellence can be identified and make recommendations to the Legislature as to how any such programs could be enhanced and promoted.

Section 10. Subsection (2) of section 1003.433, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

1003.433 Learning opportunities for out-of-state and out-of-country transfer students and students needing additional instruction to meet high school graduation requirements.—

- (2) Students who <u>earn the required 24 credits</u> have met all requirements for the standard high school diploma except for passage of <u>any must-pass statewide</u>, <u>standardized assessment under s. 1008.22</u> the grade 10 FCAT or an alternate assessment by the end of grade 12 must be provided the following learning opportunities:
- (a) Participation in an accelerated high school equivalency diploma preparation program during the summer.
- (b) Upon receipt of a certificate of completion, be allowed to take the College Placement Test and be admitted to developmental education remedial or credit courses at a Florida College System institution, as appropriate.
- (c) Participation in an adult general education program as provided in s. 1004.93 for such time as the student requires to master English, reading, mathematics, or any other subject required for high school graduation. Students attending adult basic, adult secondary, or vocational-preparatory instruction are exempt from any requirement for the payment of tuition and

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fees, including lab fees, pursuant to s. 1009.25. A student attending an adult general education program shall have the opportunity to take any must-pass statewide, standardized assessment under s. 1008.22 the grade 10 FCAT an unlimited number of times in order to receive a standard high school diploma.

Section 11. Section 1004.015, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

1004.015 Higher Education Coordinating Council.-

- (1) The Higher Education Coordinating Council is created for the purposes of identifying unmet needs; and facilitating solutions to disputes regarding the creation of new degree programs and the establishment of new institutes, campuses, or centers; and facilitating solutions to data issues identified by the Articulation Coordinating Committee pursuant to s. 1007.01 to improve the K-20 education performance accountability system.
 - (2) Members of the council shall include:
- (a) One member of the Board of Governors, appointed by the chair of the Board of Governors The Commissioner of Education.
 - (b) The Chancellor of the State University System.
 - (c) The Chancellor of the Florida College System.
- (d) One member of the State Board of Education, appointed by the chair of the State Board of Education.
- (e) (d) The Executive Director of the Florida Association of Postsecondary Schools and Colleges Commission for Independent Education.
- (f)(e) The president of the Independent Colleges and Universities of Florida.

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- (g) The president of Workforce Florida, Inc., or his or her designee.
- (h) The president of Enterprise Florida, Inc., or a designated member of the Stakeholders Council appointed by the president.
- (i) (f) Three Two representatives of the business community, one appointed by the President of the Senate, and one appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives, and one appointed by the Governor, who are committed to developing and enhancing world-class world class workforce infrastructure necessary for Florida's citizens to compete and prosper in the ever-changing economy of the 21st century.
- (3) Appointed members shall serve 2-year terms, and a single chair shall be elected annually by a majority of the members.
- (4)(3) The council shall serve as an advisory board to the Legislature, the State Board of Education, and the Board of Governors. Recommendations of the council shall be consistent with the following guiding principles:
- (a) To achieve within existing resources a seamless academic educational system that fosters an integrated continuum of kindergarten through graduate school education for Florida's students.
- (b) To promote consistent education policy across all educational delivery systems, focusing on students.
- (c) To promote substantially improved articulation across all educational delivery systems.
 - (d) To promote a system that maximizes educational access

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and allows the opportunity for a high-quality education for all Floridians.

- (e) To promote a system of coordinated and consistent transfer of credit and data collection for improved accountability purposes between the educational delivery systems.
- (f) To promote adoption by the members of the council of a common set of data elements identified by the National Center for Education Statistics to support the effective exchange of data among the states.
- (5)(4) The council shall annually by December 31 submit to the Governor, the President of the Senate, the Speaker of the House of Representatives, the Board of Governors, and the State Board of Education a report outlining its recommendations relating to:
- (a) The primary core mission of public and nonpublic postsecondary education institutions in the context of state access demands and economic development goals.
- (b) Performance outputs and outcomes designed to meet annual and long-term state goals, including, but not limited to, increased student access, preparedness, retention, transfer, and completion. Performance measures must be consistent across sectors and allow for a comparison of the state's performance to that of other states.
- (c) The state's articulation policies and practices to ensure that cost benefits to the state are maximized without jeopardizing quality. The recommendations shall consider return on investment for both the state and students and propose

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systems to facilitate and ensure institutional compliance with state articulation policies.

- (d) Workforce development education, specifically recommending improvements to the consistency of workforce education data collected and reported by Florida College System institutions and school districts, including the establishment of common elements and definitions for any data that is used for state and federal funding and program accountability.
- (6) (5) The Office of K-20 Articulation, in collaboration with the Board of Governors and the Division of Florida

 Colleges, Department of Education shall provide administrative support for the council.

Section 12. Subsections (3), (11), and (24) of section 1004.02, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:

1004.02 Definitions.—As used in this chapter:

- (3) "Adult general education" means comprehensive instructional programs designed to improve the employability of the state's workforce through adult basic education, adult secondary education, English for Speakers of Other Languages, applied academics for adult education vocational-preparatory instruction, and instruction for adults with disabilities.
- (11) "Developmental education College-preparatory instruction" means instruction courses through which a high school graduate who applies for any college credit program may attain the communication and computation skills necessary to successfully complete enroll in college credit instruction.
- (24) "Applied academics for adult education Vocationalpreparatory instruction" means adult general education through

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which persons attain academic and workforce readiness skills at the level of functional literacy (grade levels 6.0-8.9) or higher so that such persons may pursue technical certificate education or higher-level technical education.

Section 13. Section 1004.082, Florida Statutes, is created to read:

1004.082 Talent retention programs.—The Chancellor of the State University System shall cooperate with the Commissioner of Education to support talent retention programs that encourage middle school and high school students who indicate an interest in or aptitude for physics, chemistry, or mathematics to continue their education at a state university that has excellent departments in selected fields. The chancellor and the commissioner shall work with state university department chairs to enable department chairs of outstanding state university departments to send letters to students who indicate an interest in or aptitude for those subjects. At a minimum, the letter should provide an open invitation for the student to communicate with the department, at least annually, and to schedule a tour of the department and the campus.

Section 14. Subsections (1), (2), (4), and (6) and paragraph (f) of subsection (5) of section 1004.43, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:

1004.43 H. Lee Moffitt Cancer Center and Research Institute.—There is established the H. Lee Moffitt Cancer Center and Research Institute, a statewide resource for basic and clinical research and multidisciplinary approaches to patient care.

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The Board of Trustees of the University of South Florida Governors shall enter into a lease an agreement for the utilization of the lands and facilities on the campus of the University of South Florida to be known as the H. Lee Moffitt Cancer Center and Research Institute, including all furnishings, equipment, and other chattels used in the operation of such facilities, with a Florida not-for-profit corporation organized solely for the purpose of governing and operating the H. Lee Moffitt Cancer Center and Research Institute. The lease agreement with the not-for-profit corporation shall be rent free as long as the not-for-profit corporation and its subsidiaries utilize the lands and facilities primarily for research, education, treatment, prevention, and early detection of cancer or for teaching and research programs conducted by state universities or other accredited medical schools or research institutes. The lease agreement shall provide for review of construction plans and specifications by the University of South Florida for consistency with the university's campus master plan, impact on the university's utilities infrastructure, compliance with applicable building codes and general design characteristics, and capability with university architecture, as appropriate. The not-for-profit corporation may, with the prior approval of the Board of Governors, create either for-profit or not-for-profit corporate subsidiaries, or both, to fulfill its mission. The not-for-profit corporation and any approved notfor-profit subsidiary shall be conclusively deemed corporations primarily acting as instrumentalities of the state, pursuant to s. 768.28(2), for purposes of sovereign immunity. For-profit

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subsidiaries of the not-for-profit corporation may not compete with for-profit health care providers in the delivery of radiation therapy services to patients. The not-for-profit corporation and its subsidiaries are authorized to receive, hold, invest, and administer property and any moneys received from private, local, state, and federal sources, as well as technical and professional income generated or derived from practice activities of the institute, for the benefit of the institute and the fulfillment of its mission. The affairs of the corporation shall be managed by a board of directors who shall serve without compensation. The President of the University of South Florida and the chair of the Board of Governors, or his or her designee, shall be directors of the not-for-profit corporation, together with 5 representatives of the state universities and no more than 14 nor fewer than 10 directors who are not medical doctors or state employees. Each director shall have only one vote, shall serve a term of 3 years, and may be reelected to the board. Other than the President of the University of South Florida and the-chair of the Board of Governors, Directors shall be elected by a majority vote of the board. The chair of the board of directors shall be selected by majority vote of the directors.

- (2) The Board of Governors shall provide in the agreement with the not-for-profit corporation for the following:
- (a) Approval of the articles of incorporation of the notfor-profit corporation by the Board of Governors.
- (b) Approval of the articles of incorporation of any notfor-profit corporate subsidiary created by the not-for-profit

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(c) Utilization of lands, facilities, and personnel by the not-for-profit corporation and its subsidiaries for research, education, treatment, prevention, and the early detection of cancer and for mutually approved teaching and research programs conducted by the state universities or other accredited medical schools or research institutes.

- <u>prepared Preparation of an annual financial audits audit</u> of the not-for-profit corporation's accounts and records and the accounts and records of any subsidiaries to be conducted by an independent certified public accountant. The annual audit report shall include a management letter, as defined in s. 11.45, and shall be submitted to the Auditor General and the Board of Governors. The Board of Governors, the Auditor General, and the Office of Program Policy Analysis and Government Accountability shall have the authority to require and receive from the not-for-profit corporation and any subsidiaries or from their independent auditor any detail or supplemental data relative to the operation of the not-for-profit corporation or subsidiary.
- (e) Provision by The not-for-profit corporation and its subsidiaries shall provide of equal employment opportunities to all persons regardless of race, color, religion, sex, age, or national origin.
- (4) In the event that the agreement between the not-for-profit corporation and the Board of <u>Trustees of the University</u> of South Florida Governors is terminated for any reason, the Board of Governors shall resume governance and operation of such

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- (5) The institute shall be administered by a chief executive officer who shall serve at the pleasure of the board of directors of the not-for-profit corporation and who shall have the following powers and duties subject to the approval of the board of directors:
- (f) The chief executive officer shall report annually have a reporting relationship to the Board of Governors or its designee on the educational activities of the not-for-profit corporation.
- (6) The board of directors of the not-for-profit corporation shall create an external advisory board a council of scientific advisers to the chief executive officer comprised of leading researchers, physicians, and scientists. This board council shall review programs and recommend research priorities and initiatives so as to maximize the state's investment in the institute. The board council shall be appointed by the board of directors of the not-for-profit corporation. Each member of the board council shall be appointed to serve a 2-year term and may be reappointed to the board council.

Section 15. Section 1004.91, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

- 1004.91 Requirements for career education program basic skills Career-preparatory instruction.
- (1) The State Board of Education shall adopt, by rule, standards of basic skill mastery for completion of certificate career education programs. Each school district and Florida College System institution that conducts programs that confer

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career <u>and technical certificates</u> <u>credit</u> shall provide <u>applied</u> <u>academics for adult education</u> <u>career-preparatory</u> instruction through which students receive the basic skills instruction required pursuant to this section.

- Students who enroll in a program offered for career credit of 450 hours or more shall complete an entry-level examination within the first 6 weeks after of admission into the program. The State Board of Education shall designate examinations that are currently in existence, the results of which are comparable across institutions, to assess student mastery of basic skills. Any student found to lack the required level of basic skills for such program shall be referred to applied academics for adult education career-preparatory instruction or another adult general basic education program for a structured program of basic skills instruction. Such instruction may include English for speakers of other languages. A student may not receive a career or technical certificate of completion without first demonstrating the basic skills required in the state curriculum frameworks for the career education program.
- (3) $\underline{\text{(a)}}$ An adult student with a disability may be exempted from the provisions of this section.
 - (b) The following students are exempt from this section:
- $\underline{1.}$ A student who possesses a college degree at the associate in applied science level or higher is exempt from this section.
- 2. A student who <u>demonstrates readiness for public</u> postsecondary education pursuant to s. 1008.30 and applicable

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rules adopted by the State Board of Education has completed or who is exempt from the college-level communication and computation skills examination pursuant to s. 1008.29, or who is exempt from the college entry-level examination pursuant to s. 1008.29, is exempt from the provisions of this section.

- 3. A student who passes Students who have passed a state or, national, or industry certification or licensure examination that is identified in State Board of Education rules and aligned to the career education program in which the student is enrolled exam are exempt from this section.
- <u>4.</u> An adult student who is enrolled in an apprenticeship program that is registered with the Department of Education in accordance with the provisions of chapter 446 is exempt from the provisions of this section.

Section 16. Paragraph (c) is added to subsection (2) of section 1004.92, Florida Statutes, to read:

1004.92 Purpose and responsibilities for career education.—

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institution boards of trustees may vary up to 10 percent of the intended student performance standards of each career education program. The variance does not apply to career education programs that train students for regulated occupations requiring state or federal licensure, certification, or registration.

Section 17. Paragraphs (e) and (f) of subsection (2) and paragraphs (c) and (d) of subsection (4) of section 1004.93, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:

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1004.93 Adult general education.-

- (2) The adult education program must provide academic services to students in the following priority:
- (e) Students who enroll in lifelong learning courses or activities that seek to address community social and economic issues that consist of health and human relations, government, parenting, consumer economics, and senior citizens.
- (f) Students who enroll in courses that relate to the recreational or leisure pursuits of the students. The cost of courses conducted pursuant to this paragraph shall be borne by the enrollees.

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- the levels and courses of instruction to be funded through the developmental education college-preparatory program. The state board shall coordinate the establishment of costs for developmental education college-preparatory courses, the establishment of statewide standards that define required levels of competence, acceptable rates of student progress, and the maximum amount of time to be allowed for completion of developmental education college-preparatory instruction.

 Developmental education College-preparatory instruction is part of an associate in arts degree program and may not be funded as an adult career education program.
- (d) Expenditures for <u>developmental education</u> college-preparatory and lifelong learning students shall be reported separately. Allocations for <u>developmental education</u> college-preparatory courses shall be based on proportional full-time

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equivalent enrollment. Program review results shall be included in the determination of subsequent allocations. A student shall be funded to enroll in the same developmental education collegepreparatory class within a skill area only twice, after which time the student shall pay 100 percent of the full cost of instruction to support the continuous enrollment of that student in the same class; however, students who withdraw or fail a class due to extenuating circumstances may be granted an exception only once for each class, provided approval is granted according to policy established by the board of trustees. Each Florida College System institution shall have the authority to review and reduce payment for increased fees due to continued enrollment in a developmental education college-preparatory class on an individual basis contingent upon the student's financial hardship, pursuant to definitions and fee levels established by the State Board of Education. Developmental education College-preparatory and lifelong learning courses do not generate credit toward an associate or baccalaureate degree. Section 18. Section 1006.735, Florida Statutes, is amended

to read:

1006.735 Complete Florida Degree Program Completion Pilot Project.-

The Complete Florida Degree Program Completion Pilot Project is established for the purpose of recruiting, recovering, and retaining the state's adult learners and assisting them in completing an associate degree or a baccalaureate degree that is aligned to high-wage, high-skill workforce needs. As used in this section, the term "adult

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learner" means a student who has successfully completed college-level coursework in multiple semesters but has left an institution in good standing before completing his or her degree. The project shall give priority to adult learners who are veterans or active duty members of the United States Armed Forces.

- shall be implemented by the University of West Florida, acting as the lead institution, in coordination with Florida College System institutions, state universities, and private postsecondary institutions, as appropriate. The program; the University of South Florida; Florida State College at Jacksonville; and St. Petersburg College and shall include the associate, applied baccalaureate, and baccalaureate degree programs that these institutions have selected. Other partnering public postsecondary education institutions shall provide areas of specialization or concentration.
- (3) For purposes of selecting the degree programs that will be given priority in the <u>Complete Florida Degree Program</u> pilot project, the institutions identified in subsection (2) shall partner with public and private job recruitment and placement agencies and use labor market data and projections to identify the specific workforce needs and targeted occupations of the state.
- (4) The <u>Complete Florida Degree Program</u> pilot project shall provide adult learners with a single point of access to information and links to innovative online and accelerated distance learning courses, student and library support services,

and electronic resources that will guide the adult learner toward the successful completion of a postsecondary degree.

- (5) Beginning with the 2013-2014 2012-2013 academic year, the Complete Florida Degree Program pilot project shall be implemented and must:
- (a) Use the distance learning course catalog established pursuant to s. 1006.73 to communicate course availability to the adult learner.
- (b) Develop and implement an advising and student support system that includes the use of degree completion specialists, is based upon best practices and processes, and includes academic and career support services designed specifically for the adult learner. The program must identify proposed changes to the statewide computer-assisted student advising system established pursuant to s. 1006.73 to assist the adult learner in using the system.
- (c) Use the streamlined, automated, online admissions application process for transient students established pursuant to s. 1006.73. The <u>program</u> pilot project shall identify any additional admissions and registration policies and practices that could be further streamlined and automated for purposes of assisting the adult learner.
- (d) Use existing and, if necessary, develop new competency-based instructional and evaluation tools to assess prior performance, experience, and education for the award of college credit in order to reduce the time required for adult learners to complete their degrees. The tools may include the use of the American Council on Education's collaborative link

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between the United States Department of Defense and higher education through the review of military training and experiences for the award of equivalent college credit for members of the United States Armed Forces.

- (e) Develop and implement an evaluation process that collects, analyzes, and provides to the participating postsecondary education institutions, the chairs of the legislative appropriations committees, and the Executive Office of the Governor information on the effectiveness of the program pilot project and the attainment of its goals. Such a process shall include a management information system that collects the appropriate student, programmatic, and fiscal data necessary to complete the evaluation of the program pilot project.

 Institutions involved in the program pilot project shall also collect job placement and employment data on the adult learners who have completed their degrees as a result of the program pilot project.
- (f) Develop and implement a statewide marketing campaign targeted toward recruiting adult learners, particularly veterans and active duty members of the United States Armed Forces, for enrollment in the degree programs offered through the project.
- pilot project, each institution's current tuition and fee structure shall be used. However, all participating institutions shall collaboratively identify the applicable cost components involved in the development and delivery of distance learning courses, collect information on these cost components, and

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submit the information to the Florida Virtual Campus. The chancellors of the Florida College System and the State University System. The chancellors shall submit a report to the chairs of the legislative appropriations committees no later than December 31, 2014 2013, on the need for a differentiated tuition and fee structure for the development and delivery of distance learning courses.

- (7) The University of West Florida, in collaboration with its partners the University of South Florida, Florida State College at Jacksonville, and St. Petersburg College, shall submit to the chairs of the legislative appropriations committees no later than September 1, 2013 June 1, 2012, a detailed program project plan that defines the major work activities, student eligibility criteria, timeline, and cost for implementing the Complete Florida Degree Program pilot project.
- (8) The University of West Florida, in collaboration with the University of South Florida, Florida State College at Jacksonville, and St. Petersburg College, shall develop and implement a transition plan that transfers the administration of the pilot project to the Florida Virtual Campus no later than June 30, 2013.

Section 19. Subsection (3) of section 1007.01, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

1007.01 Articulation; legislative intent; purpose; role of the State Board of Education and the Board of Governors; Articulation Coordinating Committee.—

(3) The Commissioner of Education, in consultation with the Chancellor of the State University System, shall establish

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the Articulation Coordinating Committee, which shall make recommendations related to statewide articulation policies and issues regarding access, quality, and reporting of data maintained by the K-20 data warehouse, established pursuant to ss. 1001.10 and 1008.31, to the Higher Education Coordination Council, the State Board of Education, and the Board of Governors. The committee shall consist of two members each representing the State University System, the Florida College System, public career and technical education, public K-12 education, and nonpublic postsecondary education and one member representing students. The chair shall be elected from the membership. The Office of K-20 Articulation shall provide administrative support for the committee. The committee shall:

- (a) Monitor the alignment between the exit requirements of one education system and the admissions requirements of another education system into which students typically transfer and make recommendations for improvement.
- (b) Propose guidelines for interinstitutional agreements between and among public schools, career and technical education centers, Florida College System institutions, state universities, and nonpublic postsecondary institutions.
- (c) Annually recommend dual enrollment course and high school subject area equivalencies for approval by the State Board of Education and the Board of Governors.
- (d) Annually review the statewide articulation agreement pursuant to s. 1007.23 and make recommendations for revisions.
- (e) Annually review the statewide course numbering system, the levels of courses, and the application of transfer credit

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requirements among public and nonpublic institutions participating in the statewide course numbering system and identify instances of student transfer and admissions difficulties.

- (f) Annually publish a list of courses that meet common general education and common degree program prerequisite requirements at public postsecondary institutions identified pursuant to s. 1007.25.
- education data Examine statewide data regarding articulation to identify issues and make recommendations to improve articulation throughout the K-20 education performance accountability system by:
- 1. Facilitating timely reporting of data by all educational delivery systems to the K-20 data warehouse established pursuant to ss. 1001.10 and 1008.31.
- 2. Facilitating timely reporting of data by the K-20 data warehouse to organizations and authorized representatives pursuant to s. 1008.31.
- 3. Identifying data issues including, but not limited to, data quality and accessibility.
- (h) Recommend roles and responsibilities of public education entities in interfacing with the single, statewide computer-assisted student advising system established pursuant to s. 1006.73.
- 1090 Section 20. Paragraph (c) of subsection (2) of section 1091 1007.21, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:
 - 1007.21 Readiness for postsecondary education and the

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(c) The <u>college</u> common placement test authorized in ss. 1001.03(10) and 1008.30 or a similar test may be administered to high school students who have chosen one of the four destinations. The results of the placement test shall be used to target additional instructional needs in reading, writing, and mathematics before prior to graduation.

Section 21. Subsection (3) of section 1007.23, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

1007.23 Statewide articulation agreement.-

- (3) To improve articulation and reduce excess credit hours, beginning with students initially entering a Florida College System institution in 2013-2014 and thereafter, the articulation agreement must require each student who is seeking an associate in arts degree to indicate a baccalaureate degree program offered by an institution of interest by the time the student earns $\underline{36}$ semester hours. The institution in which the student is enrolled shall inform the student of the prerequisites for the baccalaureate degree program offered by an institution of interest.
- Section 22. Subsections (3), (6), (7), (8), and (10) of section 1007.25, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:
- 1007.25 General education courses; common prerequisites; other degree requirements.—
- (3) The chair of the State Board of Education and the chair of the Board of Governors, or their designees, shall jointly appoint faculty committees to identify statewide general

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education core course options. General education core course options shall consist of a maximum of five courses within each of the subject areas of communication, mathematics, social sciences, humanities, and natural sciences. Each general education core course option must contain high-level academic and critical thinking skills and common competencies that students must demonstrate to successfully complete the course. Beginning with students initially entering a Florida College System institution or state university in 2015-2016 2014-2015 and thereafter, each student must complete at least one identified core course in each subject area as part of the general education course requirements. All public postsecondary educational institutions shall offer and accept these courses as meeting general education core course requirements. The remaining general education course requirements shall be identified by each institution and reported to the department by their statewide course number. The general education core course options shall be adopted in rule by the State Board of Education and in regulation by the Board of Governors. Additional core course options may be approved by the State Board of Education and the Board of Governors if recommended by the subject area faculty committee and approved by the Articulation Coordinating Committee as necessary for a subject area.

(6) The universities and Florida College System institutions shall work with their school districts to ensure that high school curricula coordinate with the general education curricula and to prepare students for college-level work.

General education curricula for associate in arts programs shall

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be identified by each institution and, beginning with students initially entering a Florida College System institution or state university in 2014-2015 and thereafter, shall include 36 30 semester hours in the subject areas of communication, mathematics, social sciences, humanities, and natural sciences.

- (7) An associate in arts degree shall require no more than 60 semester hours of college credit and, beginning with students initially entering a Florida College System institution or state university in 2014-2015 and thereafter, include 36 30 semester hours of general education coursework. Beginning with students initially entering a Florida College System institution or state university in 2014-2015 and thereafter, coursework for an associate in arts degree shall include and demonstration of competency in a foreign language pursuant to s. 1007.262. Except for developmental education college-preparatory coursework required pursuant to s. 1008.30, all required coursework shall count toward the associate in arts degree or the baccalaureate degree.
- (8) A baccalaureate degree program shall require no more than 120 semester hours of college credit and, beginning with students initially entering a Florida College System institution or state university in 2014-2015 and thereafter, include 36 30 semester hours of general education coursework, unless prior approval has been granted by the Board of Governors for baccalaureate degree programs offered by state universities and by the State Board of Education for baccalaureate degree programs offered by Florida College System institutions.
 - (10) Students at state universities may request associate

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in arts certificates if they have successfully completed the minimum requirements for the degree of associate in arts (A.A.). The university must grant the student an associate in arts degree if the student has successfully completed minimum requirements for college-level communication and computation skills adopted by the State Board of Education and 60 academic semester hours or the equivalent within a degree program area, including 36 and, beginning with students initially entering a Florida College System institution or state university in 2014—2015 and thereafter, include 30 semester hours in general education courses in the subject areas of communication, mathematics, social sciences, humanities, and natural sciences, consistent with the general education requirements specified in the articulation agreement pursuant to s. 1007.23.

Section 23. Section 1007.263, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

1007.263 Florida College System institutions; admissions of students.—Each Florida College System institution board of trustees is authorized to adopt rules governing admissions of students subject to this section and rules of the State Board of Education. These rules shall include the following:

(1) Admissions counseling shall be provided to all students entering college or career credit programs. Counseling shall utilize tests to measure achievement of college-level communication and computation competencies by all students entering college credit programs or tests to measure achievement of basic skills for career <u>education</u> programs as prescribed in s. 1004.91.

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- (2) Admission to associate degree programs is subject to minimum standards adopted by the State Board of Education and shall require:
- (a) A standard high school diploma, a high school equivalency diploma as prescribed in s. 1003.435, previously demonstrated competency in college credit postsecondary coursework, or, in the case of a student who is home educated, a signed affidavit submitted by the student's parent or legal guardian attesting that the student has completed a home education program pursuant to the requirements of s. 1002.41. Students who are enrolled in a dual enrollment or early admission program pursuant to s. 1007.271 are exempt from this requirement.
- (b) A demonstrated level of achievement of college-level communication and computation skills.
- (c) Any other requirements established by the board of trustees.
- (3) Admission to other programs within the Florida College System institution shall include education requirements as established by the board of trustees.
- (4) A student who has been awarded a special diploma as defined in s. 1003.438 or a certificate of completion as defined in s. 1003.43(10) is eligible to enroll in certificate career education programs.
- (5) A student with a documented disability may be eligible for reasonable substitutions, as prescribed in ss. 1007.264 and 1007.265.

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Each board of trustees shall establish policies that notify students about, and place students into, adult basic education, adult secondary education, or other instructional programs that provide students with alternatives to traditional <u>developmental education college-preparatory instruction</u>, including private provider instruction. A student is prohibited from enrolling in additional college-level courses until the student scores above the cut-score on all sections of the <u>college common</u> placement test.

Section 24. Subsections (2), (3), and (14) of section 1007.271, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:

1007.271 Dual enrollment programs.

For the purpose of this section, an eligible secondary student is a student who is enrolled in a Florida public secondary school or in a Florida private secondary school which is in compliance with s. 1002.42(2) and provides a secondary curriculum pursuant to s. 1003.428, s. 1003.429, or s. 1003.43. Students who are eligible for dual enrollment pursuant to this section may enroll in dual enrollment courses conducted during school hours, after school hours, and during the summer term. However, if the student is projected to graduate from high school before the scheduled completion date of a postsecondary course, the student may not register for that course through dual enrollment. The student may apply to the postsecondary institution and pay the required registration, tuition, and fees if the student meets the postsecondary institution's admissions requirements under s. 1007.263. Instructional time for dual enrollment may vary from 900 hours; however, the school district

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may only report the student for a maximum of 1.0 FTE, as provided in s. 1011.61(4). Any student enrolled as a dual enrollment student is exempt from the payment of registration, tuition, and laboratory fees. Applied academics for adult education Vocational-preparatory instruction, developmental education college-preparatory instruction, and other forms of precollegiate instruction, as well as physical education courses that focus on the physical execution of a skill rather than the intellectual attributes of the activity, are ineligible for inclusion in the dual enrollment program. Recreation and leisure studies courses shall be evaluated individually in the same manner as physical education courses for potential inclusion in the program.

enrollment in college credit dual enrollment courses must include a 3.0 unweighted high school grade point average and the minimum score on a college common placement test adopted by the State Board of Education which indicates that the student is ready for college-level coursework. Student eligibility requirements for continued enrollment in college credit dual enrollment courses must include the maintenance of a 3.0 unweighted high school grade point average and the minimum postsecondary grade point average established by the postsecondary institution. Regardless of meeting student eligibility requirements for continued enrollment, a student may lose the opportunity to participate in a dual enrollment course if the student is disruptive to the learning process such that the progress of other students or the efficient administration

of the course is hindered. Student eligibility requirements for initial and continued enrollment in career certificate dual enrollment courses must include a 2.0 unweighted high school grade point average. Exceptions to the required grade point averages may be granted on an individual student basis if the educational entities agree and the terms of the agreement are contained within the dual enrollment articulation agreement established pursuant to subsection (21). Florida College System institution boards of trustees may establish additional initial student eligibility requirements, which shall be included in the dual enrollment articulation agreement, to ensure student readiness for postsecondary instruction. Additional requirements included in the agreement may not arbitrarily prohibit students who have demonstrated the ability to master advanced courses from participating in dual enrollment courses.

(14) The Department of Education shall approve any course for inclusion in the dual enrollment program that is contained within the statewide course numbering system. However, developmental education college-preparatory and other forms of precollegiate instruction, and physical education and other courses that focus on the physical execution of a skill rather than the intellectual attributes of the activity, may not be so approved but must be evaluated individually for potential inclusion in the dual enrollment program. This subsection may not be construed to mean that an independent postsecondary institution eligible for inclusion in a dual enrollment or early admission program pursuant to s. 1011.62 must participate in the statewide course numbering system developed pursuant to s.

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1318 Section 25. Section 1008.02, Florida Statutes, is created 1319 to read:

- 1008.02 Definitions.—As used in this chapter:
- (1) "Accelerated course structure" means a course or strand of study that accelerates the progress of students from developmental education into college-level coursework.
- (2) "Co-requisite education" means preparatory academic instruction that is deployed through a variety of classroom, online, or blended instructional strategies and offered concurrently with college credit instruction. The term includes, but is not limited to:
- (a) Compressed or modularized instruction or coaching that supplements credit instruction.
- (b) Embedded content in a modified or extended creditbearing course intended to contextualize or accelerate credit attainment.
- (3) "Developmental education" means instruction through which a high school graduate who applies for any college credit program may attain the communication and computation skills necessary to successfully complete college credit instruction.
- (4) "Gateway course" means the first course that provides transferable, college-level credit allowing a student to progress in his or her program of study.
- (5) "Mastery-based education" means customized, targeted instruction that addresses specific skills gaps.
- (6) "Meta-major" means a collection of programs of study or academic discipline groupings that share common foundational

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Section 26. Section 1008.30, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

1008.30 <u>College readiness and Common placement testing for public postsecondary education.</u>

- conjunction with the Board of Education, in consultation enjunction with the Board of Governors, shall establish by rule develop and implement a college common placement test for the purpose of assessing the basic computation and communication skills of students who intend to enter a degree program at any public postsecondary educational institution. Alternative assessments that may be accepted in lieu of the college placement test shall also be identified in rule. Public postsecondary educational institutions shall provide appropriate modifications of the test instruments or test procedures for students with disabilities.
- (2) By January 1, 2014, the State Board of Education, in conjunction with the Board of Governors, shall approve a series of meta-majors, academic pathways, and degree maps that identify the gateway courses required for success in each meta-major.

 Results from the college placement test shall be used to diagnose a student's readiness for his or her chosen meta-major and provide academic counseling that places the student into credit courses as quickly as possible, with developmental education limited to that content needed for success in the meta-major.
- (3) (2) The college common placement testing program shall include at a minimum the following: the capacity to diagnose

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mathematics which are essential for success in meta-majors and provide to perform college-level work; prerequisite skills that relate to progressively advanced instruction in mathematics, such as algebra and geometry; prerequisite skills that relate to progressively advanced instruction in language arts, such as English composition and literature; and provision of test information to students on the specific deficiencies.

- (4) The State Board of Education shall establish by rule the test scores a student must achieve to demonstrate readiness. Students who demonstrate readiness by achieving or exceeding the test scores established by the state board and enroll in a Florida College System institution within 2 years after achieving such scores may not be required to retest or complete developmental education when admitted to any Florida College System institution.
- (5)(3) The State Board of Education shall adopt rules that require high schools to evaluate before the beginning of grade 12 the college readiness of each student who scores at Level 2 or Level 3 on the reading portion of the grade 10 FCAT Reading or Level 2, Level 3, or Level 4 on the Algebra I mathematics assessments under s. 1008.22 1008.22(3)(c). High schools shall perform this evaluation using results from the corresponding component of the college common placement test prescribed in this section, or an alternative equivalent test identified by the State Board of Education. The State Board of Education shall identify in rule the assessments necessary to perform the evaluations required by this subsection and shall work with the

school districts to administer the assessments. The State Board of Education shall establish by rule the minimum test scores a student must achieve to demonstrate readiness. Students who demonstrate readiness by achieving the minimum test scores established by the state board and enroll in a Florida College System institution within 2 years of achieving such scores not be required to retest or enroll in remediation when admitted to any Florida College System institution. The high schools school shall use the results of the test to advise the students of any identified deficiencies and to provide 12th grade students, and require them to complete, appropriate postsecondary preparatory instruction before prior to high school graduation. The curriculum provided under this subsection shall be identified in rule by the State Board of Education and encompass Florida's Postsecondary Readiness Competencies. Other elective courses may not be substituted for the selected postsecondary reading, mathematics, or writing preparatory course unless the elective course covers the same competencies included in the postsecondary reading, mathematics, or writing, or English language arts preparatory course.

- (6) (a) The State Board of Education shall adopt rules by January 1, 2014, to implement developmental education. The rules must include:
- 1. Student attributes that may be considered by institutional boards in addition to performance on college placement tests, such as grade point averages, work history, military experience, career interests, degree major declaration, or any combination thereof.

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- 2. Recommended placement options for students performing at levels indicating adult education as an appropriate placement for students to develop needed college-entry academic skills.
- 3. Sufficient flexibility for local professional judgment and determinations of appropriate student placement.
- 4. Limits on credit course enrollment for students indicating the need for preparatory assistance in two or more content areas.
- Local policies and practices set by each Florida (b) College System institution board of trustees must outline the attributes considered by the institution for placement determinations, identify instructional options available to students, and describe student costs and financial aid opportunities associated with each instructional option. Placement and instructional options must, at minimum, provide for direct placement of a student in a credit course either with or without institutionally-required co-requisite education, mastery-based instruction or accelerated pathways into credit courses, or direct placement of a student into adult education as appropriate to the student's demonstrated communication or computation performance levels. Policies and practices must specify limits on credit course enrollment for students indicating the need for preparatory assistance, outline retesting requirements, and identify options for students counseled into adult education as an appropriate placement when such instruction is not provided by the institution.
- (4) (a) Students who have been identified as requiring additional preparation pursuant to subsection (1) shall enroll

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in college-preparatory or other adult education pursuant to s. 1004.93 in Florida College System institutions to develop needed college-entry skills. The State Board of Education shall specify by rule provisions for alternative remediation opportunities and retesting policies. These students shall be permitted to take courses within their degree program concurrently in other curriculum areas for which they are qualified while enrolled in college-preparatory instruction courses. A student enrolled in a college-preparatory course may concurrently enroll only in college credit courses that do not require the skills addressed in the college-preparatory course. A degree-seeking student who is required to complete a college-preparatory course must successfully complete the required college-preparatory studies by the time the student has accumulated 12 hours of lowerdivision college credit degree coursework; however, a student may continue enrollment in degree-earning coursework provided the student maintains enrollment in college-preparatory coursework for each subsequent semester until collegepreparatory coursework requirements are completed, and provided the student demonstrates satisfactory performance in degreeearning coursework. A student who has accumulated 12 college credit hours and has not yet demonstrated proficiency in the basic competency areas of reading, writing, and mathematics must be advised in writing of the requirements for associate degree completion and state university admission, including information about future financial aid eligibility and the potential costs of accumulating excessive college credit as described in s. 1009.286. Before a student is considered to have met basic

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computation and communication skills requirements, the student must demonstrate successful mastery of the required developmental education competencies as defined in State Board of Education rule. Credit awarded for college-preparatory instruction may not be counted toward fulfilling the number of credits required for a degree.

(c) (b) A university board of trustees may contract with a Florida College System institution board of trustees for the Florida College System institution to provide developmental education such instruction on the state university campus. Any state university in which the percentage of incoming students requiring developmental education college-preparatory instruction equals or exceeds the average percentage of such students for the Florida College System may offer developmental education college-preparatory instruction without contracting with a Florida College System institution; however, Florida Agricultural and Mechanical University any state university offering college-preparatory instruction as of January 1, 1996, may continue to provide such services.

(7)(5) A student may not be enrolled in a college credit mathematics or English course on a dual enrollment basis unless the student has achieved or exceeded the score demonstrated adequate precollegiate preparation on the section of the basic computation and communication skills assessment required pursuant to subsection (4) (1) that is appropriate for successful student participation in the course.

Section 27. Subsection (4) of section 1008.32, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

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1008.32 State Board of Education oversight enforcement authority.—The State Board of Education shall oversee the performance of district school boards and Florida College System institution boards of trustees in enforcement of all laws and rules. District school boards and Florida College System institution boards of trustees shall be primarily responsible for compliance with law and state board rule.

- (4) If the State Board of Education determines that a district school board or Florida College System institution board of trustees is unwilling or unable to comply with law or state board rule within the specified time, the state board shall have the authority to initiate any of the following actions:
- (a) Report to the Legislature that the school district or Florida College System institution <u>is</u> has been unwilling or unable to comply with law or state board rule and recommend action to be taken by the Legislature.
- (b) Reduce the discretionary lottery appropriation until the school district or Florida College System institution complies with the law or state board rule.
- (b) (c) Withhold the transfer of state funds, discretionary grant funds, discretionary lottery funds, or any other funds specified as eligible for this purpose by the Legislature until the school district or Florida College System institution complies with the law or state board rule.
- $\underline{\text{(c)}}$ Declare the school district or Florida College System institution ineligible for competitive grants.
 - (d) (e) Require monthly or periodic reporting on the

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1541 situation related to noncompliance until it is remedied.

Section 28. Section 1008.322, Florida Statutes, is created to read:

1008.322 Board of Governors oversight enforcement authority.—

- (1) The Board of Governors of the State University System shall oversee the performance of state university boards of trustees in the enforcement of laws, rules, and regulations.

 State university boards of trustees shall be primarily responsible for compliance with laws and Board of Governors' rules and regulations.
- (2) The Board of Governors' constitutional authority to operate, regulate, control, and be fully responsible for the management of the entire State University System mandates that the state universities comply with all requests by the Board of Governors for information, data, and reports. The state university presidents are responsible for the accuracy of the information and data reported to the Board of Governors.
- investigate allegations of noncompliance with any law or Board of Governors' rule or regulation and determine probable cause.

 The chancellor shall report determinations of probable cause to the Board of Governors, which may require the university board of trustees to document compliance with the law or Board of Governors' rule or regulation.
- (4) If the university board of trustees cannot satisfactorily document compliance, the Board of Governors may order compliance within a specified timeframe.

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| (5) If the Board of Governors determines that a state | |
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- (a) Withhold the transfer of state funds, discretionary grant funds, discretionary lottery funds, or any other funds appropriated to the Board of Governors by the Legislature for disbursement to the state university until the university complies with the law or Board of Governors' rule or regulation.
- (b) Declare the state university ineligible for competitive grants disbursed by the Board of Governors.
- (c) Require monthly or periodic reporting on the situation related to noncompliance until it is remedied.
- (d) Report to the Legislature that the state university is unwilling or unable to comply with the law or Board of Governors' rule or regulation and recommend action to be taken by the Legislature.
- (6) Nothing in this section may be construed to create a private cause of action or create any rights for individuals or entities in addition to those provided elsewhere in law, rule, or regulation.

Section 29. Paragraphs (b) and (c) of subsection (3) of section 1008.34, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:

1008.34 School grading system; school report cards; district grade.—

(3) DESIGNATION OF SCHOOL GRADES.-

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- (b)1. A school's grade shall be based on a combination of:
- a. Student achievement scores, including achievement as measured by FCAT assessments under s. 1008.22(3)(c)1., statewide, standardized end-of-course assessments under s. 1008.22(3)(c)2.a. and b., and achievement scores for students seeking a special diploma.
- b. Student learning gains in reading and mathematics as measured by FCAT and statewide, standardized end-of-course assessments, as described in s. 1008.22(3)(c)1. and 2.a., including learning gains for students seeking a special diploma, as measured by an alternate assessment.
- c. Improvement of the lowest 25th percentile of students in the school in reading and mathematics on the FCAT or end-of-course assessments described in s. 1008.22(3)(c)2.a., unless these students are exhibiting satisfactory performance.
- 2. Beginning with the 2011-2012 school year, for schools comprised of middle school grades 6 through 8 or grades 7 and 8, the school's grade shall include the performance and participation of its students enrolled in high school level courses with end-of-course assessments administered under s. 1008.22(3)(c)2.a. Performance and participation must be weighted equally. As valid data becomes available, the school grades shall include the students' attainment of national industry certification identified in the Industry Certification Funding List pursuant to rules adopted by the state board.
- 3. Beginning with the 2009-2010 school year for schools comprised of high school grades 9, 10, 11, and 12, or grades 10, 11, and 12, at least 50 percent of the school grade shall be

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based on a combination of the factors listed in subsubparagraphs 1.a.-c. and the remaining percentage on the following factors:

- a. The high school graduation rate of the school;
- b. As valid data becomes available, the performance and participation of the school's students in College Board Advanced Placement courses, International Baccalaureate courses, dual enrollment courses, and Advanced International Certificate of Education courses; and the students' achievement of national industry certification identified in the Industry Certification Funding List, pursuant to rules adopted by the state board;
- c. Postsecondary readiness of all of the school's on-time graduates as measured by the SAT, the ACT, the Postsecondary Education Readiness Test, or the college common placement test;
- d. The high school graduation rate of at-risk students, who are students scoring at Level 1 or Level 2 on grade 8 FCAT Reading and FCAT Mathematics;
- e. As valid data becomes available, the performance of the school's students on statewide, standardized end-of-course assessments administered under s. 1008.22(3)(c)2.c. and d.; and
- f. The growth or decline in the components listed in subsubparagraphs a.-e. from year to year.
- (c) Student assessment data used in determining school grades shall include:
- 1. The aggregate scores of all eligible students enrolled in the school who have been assessed on the FCAT and statewide, standardized end-of-course assessments in courses required for high school graduation, including, beginning with the 2011-2012

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school year, the end-of-course assessment in Algebra I; and beginning with the 2012-2013 school year, the end-of-course assessments in geometry and Biology I; and beginning with the 2014-2015 school year, on the statewide, standardized end-of-course assessment in civics education at the middle school level.

- 2. The aggregate scores of all eligible students enrolled in the school who have been assessed on the FCAT and statewide, standardized end-of-course assessments as described in s. 1008.22(3)(c)2.a., and who have scored at or in the lowest 25th percentile of students in the school in reading and mathematics, unless these students are exhibiting satisfactory performance.
- The achievement scores and learning gains of eligible students attending alternative schools that provide dropout prevention and academic intervention services pursuant to s. 1003.53. The term "eligible students" in this subparagraph does not include students attending an alternative school who are subject to district school board policies for expulsion for repeated or serious offenses, who are in dropout retrieval programs serving students who have officially been designated as dropouts, or who are in programs operated or contracted by the Department of Juvenile Justice. The student performance data for eligible students identified in this subparagraph shall be included in the calculation of the home school's grade. As used in this subparagraph and s. 1008.341, the term "home school" means the school to which the student would be assigned if the student were not assigned to an alternative school. If an alternative school chooses to be graded under this section,

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student performance data for eligible students identified in this subparagraph shall not be included in the home school's grade but shall be included only in the calculation of the alternative school's grade. A school district that fails to assign the FCAT and statewide, standardized end-of-course assessment as described in s. 1008.22(3)(c)2.a. scores of each of its students to his or her home school or to the alternative school that receives a grade shall forfeit Florida School Recognition Program funds for 1 fiscal year. School districts must require collaboration between the home school and the alternative school in order to promote student success. This collaboration must include an annual discussion between the principal of the alternative school and the principal of each student's home school concerning the most appropriate school assignment of the student.

- 4. The achievement scores and learning gains of students designated as hospital- or homebound. Student assessment data for students designated as hospital- or homebound shall be assigned to their home school for the purposes of school grades. As used in this subparagraph, the term "home school" means the school to which a student would be assigned if the student were not assigned to a hospital- or homebound program.
- 5. For schools comprised of high school grades 9, 10, 11, and 12, or grades 10, 11, and 12, the data listed in subparagraphs 1.-3. and the following data as the Department of Education determines such data are valid and available:
- a. The high school graduation rate of the school as calculated by the department;

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- b. The participation rate of all eligible students enrolled in the school and enrolled in College Board Advanced Placement courses; International Baccalaureate courses; dual enrollment courses; Advanced International Certificate of Education courses; and courses or sequences of courses leading to national industry certification identified in the Industry Certification Funding List, pursuant to rules adopted by the State Board of Education;
- c. The aggregate scores of all eligible students enrolled in the school in College Board Advanced Placement courses,
 International Baccalaureate courses, and Advanced International
 Certificate of Education courses;
- d. Earning of college credit by all eligible students enrolled in the school in dual enrollment programs under s. 1007.271;
- e. Earning of a national industry certification identified in the Industry Certification Funding List, pursuant to rules adopted by the State Board of Education;
- f. The aggregate scores of all eligible students enrolled in the school in reading, mathematics, and other subjects as measured by the SAT, the ACT, the Postsecondary Education Readiness Test, and the <u>college common</u> placement test for postsecondary readiness;
- g. The high school graduation rate of all eligible at-risk students enrolled in the school who scored at Level 2 or lower on grade 8 FCAT Reading and FCAT Mathematics;
- h. The performance of the school's students on statewide, standardized end-of-course assessments administered under s.

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1737 1008.22(3)(c)2.c. and d.; and

i. The growth or decline in the data components listed in sub-subparagraphs a.-h. from year to year.

The State Board of Education shall adopt appropriate criteria for each school grade. The criteria must also give added weight to student achievement in reading. Schools earning a grade of "C," making satisfactory progress, shall be required to demonstrate that adequate progress has been made by students in the school who are in the lowest 25th percentile in reading and mathematics on the FCAT and end-of-course assessments as described in s. 1008.22(3)(c)2.a., unless these students are exhibiting satisfactory performance. For schools comprised of high school grades 9, 10, 11, and 12, or grades 10, 11, and 12, the criteria for school grades must also give added weight to the graduation rate of all eligible at-risk students. In order for a high school to earn a grade of "A," the school must demonstrate that its at-risk students, as defined in this paragraph, are making adequate progress.

Section 30. Subsection (2) of section 1008.37, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

1008.37 Postsecondary feedback of information to high schools.—

(2) The Commissioner of Education shall report, by high school, to the State Board of Education, the Board of Governors, and the Legislature, no later than November 30 of each year, on the number of prior year Florida high school graduates who enrolled for the first time in public postsecondary education in

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this state during the previous summer, fall, or spring term, indicating the number of students whose scores on the <u>college</u> common placement test indicated the need for remediation through applied academics for adult education college-preparatory or vocational-preparatory instruction <u>or developmental education</u> pursuant to s. 1004.91 or s. 1008.30.

Section 31. Subsection (3) of section 1009.22, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

1009.22 Workforce education postsecondary student fees.-

- (3)(a) Except as otherwise provided by law, fees for students who are nonresidents for tuition purposes must offset the full cost of instruction. Except for students participating in adult education programs as defined in s. 1004.02(1)-(5), residency of students shall be determined as required in s. 1009.21. Fee-nonexempt students enrolled in applied academics for adult education vocational-preparatory instruction shall be charged fees equal to the fees charged for adult general education programs. Each Florida College System institution that conducts developmental education college-preparatory and applied academics for adult education vocational-preparatory instruction in the same class section may charge a single fee for both types of instruction.
- (b) Each institution that offers adult education programs as defined in s. 1004.02(1)-(5) shall affirmatively determine the residency status of each applicant for enrollment in adult education courses. The residency determination must be documented by the submission of written or electronic verification of documents identified in this paragraph. Such

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- evidence of residency must be clear and convincing. Submission
 of any two of the following documents may be determinative of
 residency in this state:
 - 1. A declaration of domicile in Florida.
- 1797 <u>2. Proof that the applicant's dependent children are</u> 1798 registered for school in Florida.
 - 3. Proof that the applicant is employed in Florida.
- 1800 <u>4. A Florida voter's registration card or official</u>
 1801 <u>correspondence from the supervisor of elections confirming voter</u>
 1802 registration in Florida.
 - 5. A valid Florida driver license.
 - 6. A valid State of Florida identification card.
 - 7. A Florida vehicle registration.
 - 8. Proof that the address listed on the most recent federal income tax return filed by the applicant is located in Florida.
 - 9. Proof that the applicant's bank statements and checking accounts are registered at a Florida address.
 - 10. Proof of current payment for utilities at the property for which permanent residency is being claimed.
 - 11. A current lease agreement for property located in Florida.
 - (c) (b) Fees for continuing workforce education shall be locally determined by the district school board or Florida College System institution board. Expenditures for the continuing workforce education program provided by the Florida College System institution or school district must be fully supported by fees. Enrollments in continuing workforce education

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courses may not be counted for purposes of funding full-time equivalent enrollment.

(d) (e) Effective July 1, 2011, for programs leading to a career certificate or an applied technology diploma, the standard tuition shall be \$2.22 per contact hour for residents and nonresidents and the out-of-state fee shall be \$6.66 per contact hour. For adult general education programs, a block tuition of \$45 per half year or \$30 per term shall be assessed for residents and nonresidents, and the out-of-state fee shall be \$135 per half year or \$90 per term. Each district school board and Florida College System institution board of trustees shall adopt policies and procedures for the collection of and accounting for the expenditure of the block tuition. All funds received from the block tuition shall be used only for adult general education programs. Students enrolled in adult general education programs may not be assessed the fees authorized in subsection (5), subsection (6), or subsection (7).

(e) (d) Beginning with the 2008-2009 fiscal year and each year thereafter, the tuition and the out-of-state fee per contact hour shall increase at the beginning of each fall semester at a rate equal to inflation, unless otherwise provided in the General Appropriations Act. The Office of Economic and Demographic Research shall report the rate of inflation to the President of the Senate, the Speaker of the House of Representatives, the Governor, and the State Board of Education each year before prior to March 1. For purposes of this paragraph, the rate of inflation shall be defined as the rate of the 12-month percentage change in the Consumer Price Index for

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All Urban Consumers, U.S. City Average, All Items, or successor reports as reported by the United States Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics, or its successor for December of the previous year. In the event the percentage change is negative, the tuition and out-of-state fee shall remain at the same level as the prior fiscal year.

- $\underline{\text{(f)}}$ (e) Each district school board and each Florida College System institution board of trustees may adopt tuition and out-of-state fees that may vary no more than 5 percent below and 5 percent above the combined total of the standard tuition and out-of-state fees established in paragraph (d) (e).
- $\underline{(g)}$ (f) The maximum increase in resident tuition for any school district or Florida College System institution during the 2007-2008 fiscal year shall be 5 percent over the tuition charged during the 2006-2007 fiscal year.
- (h) (g) The State Board of Education may adopt, by rule, the definitions and procedures that district school boards and Florida College System institution boards of trustees shall use in the calculation of cost borne by students.
- Section 32. Subsection (1), paragraph (b) of subsection (2), paragraph (a) of subsection (3), and subsections (4) and (10) of section 1009.23, Florida Statutes, are amended to read: 1009.23 Florida College System institution student fees.—
- (1) Unless otherwise provided, this section applies only to fees charged for college credit instruction leading to an associate in arts degree, an associate in applied science degree, an associate in science degree, or a baccalaureate degree authorized pursuant to s. 1007.33, for noncollege credit

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<u>developmental education</u> <u>college-preparatory courses</u> defined in s. 1004.02, and for educator preparation institute programs defined in s. 1004.85.

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- (b) Tuition and out-of-state fees for upper-division courses must reflect the fact that the Florida College System institution has a less expensive cost structure than that of a state university. Therefore, the board of trustees shall establish tuition and out-of-state fees for upper-division courses in baccalaureate degree programs approved pursuant to s. 1007.33 consistent with law and proviso language in the General Appropriations Act. However, the board of trustees may not vary tuition and out-of-state fees only as provided in paragraph (4) (b) subsection (4).
- (3) (a) Effective July 1, 2011, for advanced and professional, postsecondary vocational, <u>developmental education</u> college preparatory, and educator preparation institute programs, the standard tuition shall be \$68.56 per credit hour for residents and nonresidents, and the out-of-state fee shall be \$205.82 per credit hour.
- (4) (a) Each Florida College System institution board of trustees shall establish tuition and out-of-state fees, which may vary no more than 10 percent below and 15 percent above the combined total of the standard tuition and fees established in subsection (3).
- (b) A Florida College System institution board of trustees may establish resident tuition and fees for a baccalaureate degree program at an amount approved by the State Board of

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Education that is below the combined rate of tuition and fees established by law or by the General Appropriations Act.

Each Florida College System institution board of trustees is authorized to establish a separate fee for technology, which may not exceed 5 percent of tuition per credit hour or credit-hour equivalent for resident students and may not exceed 5 percent of tuition and the out-of-state fee per credit hour or credit-hour equivalent for nonresident students. Revenues generated from the technology fee shall be used to enhance instructional technology resources for students and faculty. The technology fee may apply to both college credit and developmental education college-preparatory instruction and shall not be included in any award under the Florida Bright Futures Scholarship Program. Fifty percent of technology fee revenues may be pledged by a Florida College System institution board of trustees as a dedicated revenue source for the repayment of debt, including lease-purchase agreements, not to exceed the useful life of the asset being financed. Revenues generated from the technology fee may not be bonded.

Section 33. Paragraphs (c) and (d) of subsection (1) of section 1009.25, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:

1009.25 Fee exemptions.

- (1) The following students are exempt from the payment of tuition and fees, including lab fees, at a school district that provides workforce education programs, Florida College System institution, or state university:
- (c) A student who is or was at the time he or she reached 18 years of age in the custody of the Department of Children and

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Family Services or who, after spending at least 6 months in the custody of the department after reaching 16 years of age, was placed in a guardianship by the court. Such exemption includes fees associated with enrollment in applied academics for adult education career-preparatory instruction. The exemption remains valid until the student reaches 28 years of age.

(d) A student who is or was at the time he or she reached 18 years of age in the custody of a relative under s. 39.5085 or who was adopted from the Department of Children and Family Services after May 5, 1997. Such exemption includes fees associated with enrollment in applied academics for adult education career-preparatory instruction. The exemption remains valid until the student reaches 28 years of age.

Section 34. Section 1009.28, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

education college-preparatory classes.—A student enrolled in the same developmental education college-preparatory class more than twice shall pay 100 percent of the full cost of instruction to support continuous enrollment of that student in the same class, and the student shall not be included in calculations of full-time equivalent enrollments for state funding purposes; however, students who withdraw or fail a class due to extenuating circumstances may be granted an exception only once for each class, provided approval is granted according to policy established by the board of trustees. Each Florida College System institution may review and reduce fees paid by students due to continued enrollment in a developmental education

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college-preparatory class on an individual basis contingent upon the student's financial hardship, pursuant to definitions and fee levels established by the State Board of Education.

Section 35. Subsection (3) of section 1009.40, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

1009.40 General requirements for student eligibility for state financial aid awards and tuition assistance grants.—

(3) Undergraduate students are eligible to receive financial aid for a maximum of 8 semesters or 12 quarters. However, undergraduate students participating in <u>developmental education college-preparatory instruction</u>, students requiring additional time to complete the college-level communication and computation skills testing programs, or students enrolled in a 5-year undergraduate degree program are eligible to receive financial aid for a maximum of 10 semesters or 15 quarters.

Section 36. Subsection (10) of section 1009.53, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

1009.53 Florida Bright Futures Scholarship Program.-

(10) Funds from any scholarship within the Florida Bright Futures Scholarship Program may not be used to pay for remedial coursework or developmental education coursework.

Section 37. Subsection (7) of section 1009.531, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

1009.531 Florida Bright Futures Scholarship Program; student eligibility requirements for initial awards.—

(7) To be eligible for an initial award and each renewal award under the Florida Bright Futures Scholarship Program, a

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student must submit a Free Application for Federal Student Aid which is complete and error free prior to disbursement.

Section 38. Subsection (6) of section 1009.73, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

1009.73 Mary McLeod Bethune Scholarship Program.-

The amount of the scholarship to be granted to each recipient is \$3,000 annually. Priority in the awarding of scholarships shall be given to students having financial need as determined by the institution. If funds are insufficient to provide the full amount of the scholarship authorized in this section to each eligible applicant, the institution may prorate available funds and make a partial award to each eligible applicant. A student may not receive an award for more than the equivalent of 8 semesters or 12 quarters over a period of 6 consecutive years, except that a student who is participating in developmental education college-preparatory instruction or who requires additional time to complete the college-level communication and computation skills testing program may continue to receive a scholarship while enrolled for the purpose of receiving developmental education college-preparatory instruction or while completing the testing program.

Section 39. Subsection (4) of section 1009.89, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

1009.89 The William L. Boyd, IV, Florida resident access grants.—

- (4) A person is eligible to receive such William L. Boyd, IV, Florida resident access grant if:
 - (a) He or she meets the general requirements, including

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residency, for student eligibility as provided in s. 1009.40, except as otherwise provided in this section; and

- (b)1. He or she is enrolled as a full-time undergraduate student at an eligible college or university;
- 2. He or she is not enrolled in a program of study leading to a degree in theology or divinity; and
- 3. He or she is making satisfactory academic progress as defined by the college or university in which he or she is enrolled. ; and
- (c) He or she submits a Free Application for Federal Student Aid which is complete and error free prior to disbursement.

Section 40. Subsection (4) of section 1009.891, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

1009.891 The Access to Better Learning and Education Grant Program.—

- (4) A person is eligible to receive an access grant if:
- (a) He or she meets the general requirements, including residency, for student eligibility as provided in s. 1009.40, except as otherwise provided in this section; and
- (b)1. He or she is enrolled as a full-time undergraduate student at an eligible college or university in a program of study leading to a baccalaureate degree;
- 2. He or she is not enrolled in a program of study leading to a degree in theology or divinity; and
- 3. He or she is making satisfactory academic progress as defined by the college or university in which he or she is enrolled.; and

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(c) He or she submits a Free Application for Federal Student Aid which is complete and error free prior to

Section 41. Effective upon the effective date of section 1008.44, Florida Statutes, as created in HB ____ or similar legislation, if such legislation is adopted in the same legislative session or an extension thereof and becomes law, subsections (4), (6), and (10) of section 1011.80, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:

1011.80 Funds for operation of workforce education programs.—

- (4) Funding for all workforce education programs must be based on cost categories, performance output measures, and performance outcome measures.
- (a) The cost categories must be calculated to identify high-cost programs, medium-cost programs, and low-cost programs. The cost analysis used to calculate and assign a program of study to a cost category must include at least both direct and indirect instructional costs, consumable supplies, equipment, and standard program length.
- (b)1. The performance output measure for career education programs of study is student completion of a career program of study that leads to an occupational completion point associated with a certificate; an apprenticeship program; or a program that leads to an applied technology diploma or an associate in applied science or associate in science degree. Performance output measures for registered apprenticeship programs shall be based on program lengths that coincide with lengths established

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pursuant to the requirements of chapter 446.

- (b) 2. The performance output measure for an adult general education course of study is measurable improvement in student skills. This measure shall include improvement in literacy skills, grade level improvement as measured by an approved test, or attainment of a State of Florida diploma or an adult high school diploma.
- workforce education programs are associated with placement and retention of students after reaching a completion point or completing a program of study. These measures include placement or retention in employment that is related to the program of study; placement into or retention in employment in an occupation on the Workforce Estimating Conference list of highwage, high-skill occupations with sufficient openings, or other High Wage/High Skill Program occupations as determined by Workforce Florida, Inc.; and placement and retention of participants or former participants in the welfare transition program in employment. Continuing postsecondary education at a level that will further enhance employment is a performance outcome for adult general education programs. Placement and retention must be reported pursuant to ss. 1008.39 and 1008.43.
- (6)(a) A school district or a Florida College System institution that provides workforce education programs shall receive funds in accordance with distributions for base and performance funding established by the Legislature in the General Appropriations Act. To ensure equitable funding for all school district workforce education programs and to recognize

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enrollment growth, the Department of Education shall use the funding model developed by the District Workforce Education Funding Steering Committee to determine each district's workforce education funding needs. To assist the Legislature in allocating workforce education funds in the General Appropriations Act, the funding model shall annually be provided to the legislative appropriations committees no later than March 1.

- (b) Performance funding for industry certifications for school district workforce education programs is contingent upon specific appropriation in the General Appropriations Act and shall be determined as follows:
- 1. Occupational areas for which industry certifications may be earned, as established in the General Appropriations Act, are eligible for performance funding. Priority shall be given to the occupational areas emphasized in state, national, or corporate grants provided to Florida educational institutions.
- 2. The Chancellor of Career and Adult Education shall identify the industry certifications eligible for funding on the Postsecondary Industry Certification Funding List adopted by the State Board of Education pursuant to s. 1008.44, based on the occupational areas specified in the General Appropriations Act.
- 3. Subject to funds allocated in the General
 Appropriations Act, each school district shall be provided
 \$1,000 for each industry certification earned by a workforce
 education student. The maximum amount of funding appropriated
 for performance funding pursuant to this paragraph shall be
 limited to \$15 million annually. If funds are insufficient to

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fully fund the calculated total award, such funds shall be prorated.

(c) (b) A program is established to assist school districts and Florida College System institutions in responding to the needs of new and expanding businesses and thereby strengthening the state's workforce and economy. The program may be funded in the General Appropriations Act. The district or Florida College System institution shall use the program to provide customized training for businesses which satisfies the requirements of s. 288.047. Business firms whose employees receive the customized training must provide 50 percent of the cost of the training. Balances remaining in the program at the end of the fiscal year shall not revert to the general fund, but shall be carried over for 1 additional year and used for the purpose of serving incumbent worker training needs of area businesses with fewer than 100 employees. Priority shall be given to businesses that must increase or upgrade their use of technology to remain competitive.

(10) A high school student dually enrolled under s.

1007.271 in a workforce education program operated by a Florida

College System institution or school district career center

generates the amount calculated for workforce education funding,
including any payment of performance funding, and the

proportional share of full-time equivalent enrollment generated
through the Florida Education Finance Program for the student's
enrollment in a high school. If a high school student is dually
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College System institution earns the funds generated for workforce education funding, and the school district earns the proportional share of full-time equivalent funding from the Florida Education Finance Program. If a student is dually enrolled in a career center operated by the same district as the district in which the student attends high school, that district earns the funds generated for workforce education funding and also earns the proportional share of full-time equivalent funding from the Florida Education Finance Program. If a student is dually enrolled in a workforce education program provided by a career center operated by a different school district, the funds must be divided between the two school districts proportionally from the two funding sources. A student may not be reported for funding in a dual enrollment workforce education program unless the student has completed the basic skills assessment pursuant to s. 1004.91. A student who is coenrolled in a K-12 education program and an adult education program may not be reported for purposes of funding in an adult education program. If a student is, except that for the 2011-2012 and 2012-2013 fiscal years, students who are coenrolled in core curricula courses for credit recovery or dropout prevention purposes and does do not have a pattern of excessive absenteeism or habitual truancy or a history of disruptive behavior in school, the student may be reported for funding for up to two courses per student. Such a student is students are exempt from the payment of the block tuition for adult general education programs provided in s. $1009.22(3)(d) \frac{1009.22(3)(c)}{c}$. The Department of Education shall develop a list of courses to be

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designated as core curricula courses for the purposes of coenrollment.

Section 42. Effective upon the effective date of section 1008.44, Florida Statutes, as created in HB ____ or similar legislation, if such legislation is adopted in the same legislative session or an extension thereof and becomes law, subsections (2) and (3) of section 1011.81, Florida Statutes, are renumbered as subsections (3) and (4), respectively, and a new subsection (2) is added to that section to read:

- 1011.81 Florida College System Program Fund.—
- (2) Performance funding for industry certifications for Florida College System institutions is contingent upon specific appropriation in the General Appropriations Act and shall be determined as follows:
- (a) Occupational areas for which industry certifications may be earned, as established in the General Appropriations Act, are eligible for performance funding. Priority shall be given to the occupational areas emphasized in state, national, or corporate grants provided to Florida educational institutions.
- (b) The Chancellor of the Florida College System shall identify the industry certifications eligible for funding on the Postsecondary Industry Certification Funding List adopted by the State Board of Education pursuant to s. 1008.44, based on the occupational areas specified in the General Appropriations Act.
- (c) Subject to funds allocated in the General

 Appropriations Act, each Florida College System institution

 shall be provided \$1,000 for each industry certification earned

 by a student. The maximum amount of funding appropriated for

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performance funding pursuant to this subsection shall be limited to \$15 million annually. If funds are insufficient to fully fund the calculated total award, such funds shall be prorated.

Section 43. Paragraph (b) of subsection (1) of section 1011.84, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

1011.84 Procedure for determining state financial support and annual apportionment of state funds to each Florida College System institution district.—The procedure for determining state financial support and the annual apportionment to each Florida College System institution district authorized to operate a Florida College System institution under the provisions of s. 1001.61 shall be as follows:

- (1) DETERMINING THE AMOUNT TO BE INCLUDED IN THE FLORIDA COLLEGE SYSTEM PROGRAM FUND FOR THE CURRENT OPERATING PROGRAM.—
- (b) The allocation of funds for Florida College System institutions shall be based on advanced and professional disciplines, developmental education college-preparatory programs, and other programs for adults funded pursuant to s. 1011.80.

Section 44. Effective upon the effective date of section 1008.44, Florida Statutes, as created in HB ____ or similar legislation, if such legislation is adopted in the same legislative session or an extension thereof and becomes law, subsection (1) and paragraph (a) of subsection (3) of section 1011.905, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:

1011.905 Performance funding for state universities.-

(1) <u>State performance funds for the State University</u>

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attainment of performance expectations. For the 2012-2013 through at least the 2016-2017 and 2013-2014 fiscal years, the Board of Governors shall review and rank each state university that applies for performance funding, as provided in the General Appropriations Act, based on the following formula:

- (a) Twenty-five percent of a state university's score shall be based on the percentage of employed graduates who have earned degrees in the following programs:
 - 1. For the 2012-2013 and 2013-2014 fiscal years:
 - a. 1. Computer and information science;
 - b.2. Computer engineering;
 - c.3. Information systems technology;
 - d.4. Information technology; and
- 2254 e.5. Management information systems.

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The 2012-2013 award recipients shall receive the same award for 2013-2014.

- 2.a. For the 2013-2014 and 2014-2015 fiscal years, highdemand programs determined by the Board of Governors using gapanalysis data adopted pursuant to s. 1001.706(5).
- b. For the 2013-2014 and 2014-2015 fiscal years, a master's degree in cloud virtualization technology and related large data management.
- (b) Twenty-five percent of a state university's score shall be based on the percentage of graduates who have earned baccalaureate degrees in the programs in paragraph (a) and who have earned industry certifications <u>identified on the</u>
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State Board of Education pursuant to s. 1008.44 in a related field from a Florida College System institution or state university prior to graduation.

- (c) Fifty percent of a state university's score shall be based on factors determined by the Board of Governors which relate to increasing the probability that graduates who have earned degrees in the programs described in paragraph (a) will be employed in high-skill, high-wage, and high-demand employment.
- (3) (a) Each year, the Board of Governors shall award up to \$15 million to the highest-ranked state universities in support of each program identified in paragraph (1) (a) from funds appropriated for the purposes in this section and as specified in the General Appropriations Act. The award per state university shall be a minimum of 25 percent of the total amount appropriated pursuant to this section.
- Section 45. Except as otherwise expressly provided in this act, this act shall take effect July 1, 2013.

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