SUMMARY OF PROPOSED FLORIDA STATE UNIVERSITY EMERGENCY REGULATION 6C2R-ER12-1, TUITION AND FEES AND PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO REGULATION 6C2R-2.024, TUITION AND FEES:

The proposed regulations are identical in content; the only difference is that the emergency regulation would take effect immediately and expire in ninety days. The Emergency Regulation was approved by the Board of Trustees on June 8, 2012. The permanent regulation, on the other hand, would take effect upon adoption by the Board of Trustees after the required notice procedure. This will be proposed at the next meeting of the Board. Reflected increases in Local fees were approved by the Board in November.

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

As required by law, the proposed regulation does not increase general undergraduate tuition. It establishes the tuition differential of fifteen percent for certain courses as approved by the Board of Governors. General Graduate tuition is increased fifteen percent with no increase in the graduate out of state fee. Medical School tuition is increased by eight percent. Law school tuition is increased by eight percent with a 2.3 percent increase in the out of state fee. Financial aid fees, tied to these fees at five percent, are adjusted. A technology fee of five percent of base tuition is also recalculated.

SPECIFIC REASONS FOR FINDING AN IMMEDIATE DANGER TO THE HEALTH, SAFETY OR WELFARE: Section 1009.24 F.S. requires the Board of Governors, or its designee, to set university tuition and fees to be charged by the University. The Board of Trustees is the Board of Governors' designee. Florida Board, of Governors Regulations 7.001, 7.002. The 2012 General Appropriations Bill, Laws of Florida 2012-118, was approved by the Governor, to be effective July 1, 2011

Because the normal Regulation adoption procedure will take longer than the time before which tuition and fee bills must be assessed, an emergency regulation, as specifically authorized by Board of Governors procedures, is required and in the best interest of the public to maintain the crucial funding of university operations for the 2012-2013 academic year. Section 1009.24, Florida Statutes specifically requires that "The sum of tuition and out-of-state fees assessed to nonresident students must be sufficient to offset the full instructional cost of serving such students." This has been the procedure followed by the Board since it obtained tuition and fee authority in 2003 and was long followed by the Florida Board of Regents in the past when it, not the individual universities, had sole tuition rule authority.

The Emergency Regulation, 6C2R-ER12-1, Tuition And Fees, is paired with an identical permanent regulation, an amendment to 6C2R-2.024 Tuition and Fees, to be adopted under the normal procedure.

REASON FOR CONCLUDING THAT THE PROCEDURE IS FAIR UNDER THE CIRCUMSTANCES: Adequate notice of the proposed action by the Board of Trustees was included in the published agenda of their June 8, 2012 meeting.
AUTHORITY FOR THE PROPOSED UNIVERSITY REGULATION: The authority for the proposed regulation is as follows: Florida Board of Governors Regulations 7.001, 7.002; Florida BOG Regulation Development Procedure for State University Boards of Trustees; 2012 General Appropriations Bill, 2012-118, Laws of Florida and Section1009.24, Florida Statutes.

UNIVERSITY OFFICIAL INITIATING THE REGULATION: Ralph Alvarez, Associate Vice President for Finance and Administration

PROCEDURE FOR PROVIDING COMMENTS ON THE PROPOSED UNIVERSITY REGULATION: Any person may submit written comments concerning the proposed regulation within 14 days of the date of this notice to:

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