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A bill to be entitled An act relating to 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. 1001.02, F.S.; requiring the State Board of Education to specify the college credit courses that may be taken by Florida College System institution students who are concurrently participating in developmental education; requiring the State Board of Education to establish the tuition and out-of-state fees for certain credit instruction, rather than college-preparatory instruction; revising the minimum standards, definitions, and quidelines that the State Board of Education must prescribe by rule for Florida College System institutions; amending s. 1001.64, F.S.; authorizing a board of trustees at a Florida College System institution to contract with the board of trustees of a state university for the Florida College System institution to provide developmental education; amending s. 1004.02, F.S.; defining the term "developmental education" as it relates to public postsecondary education; amending s. 1004.43, F.S.; transferring oversight of the H. Lee Moffitt Cancer Center and Research Institute to the Board of Trustees of the University of South Florida; requiring the Board of Trustees to enter into a lease agreement for use of certain land and facilities; providing for the terms of the lease; requiring the

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University of South Florida and the Florida not-forprofit corporation that governs and operates the H. Lee Moffitt Cancer Center and Research Institute to enter into an agreement to review construction plans and specifications for consistency of certain criteria; revising the membership of the board of directors for the not-for-profit corporation; deleting the requirement that the Board of Governors provide for certain approvals of the articles of incorporation of the not-for-profit corporation and use of land and facilities for certain purposes; requiring the notfor-profit corporation to cause to be prepared annual financial audits; requiring the not-for-profit corporation to provide equal employment opportunities; providing for the governance and operation of the facilities if the agreement between the not-for-profit corporation and the Board of Trustees of the University of South Florida, rather than the Board of Governors, is terminated; requiring the chief executive officer to report annually to the Board of Governors on the educational activities of the notfor-profit corporation; providing for the creation and duties of an external advisory board; repealing s. 1004.58, F.S., relating to the Leadership Board for Applied Research and Public Service; amending s. 1004.93, F.S.; deleting provisions relating to the levels and courses of instruction to be funded through the college-preparatory program; amending s. 1007.23, F.S.; revising the number of semester hours in which a

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student who is seeking an associate in arts degree is required to indicate a baccalaureate degree program; amending s. 1007.25, F.S.; revising general education courses, common prerequisites, and degree requirements; conforming terminology to changes made by the act; amending s. 1007.263, F.S.; revising the rules that the board of trustees of a Florida College System institution may adopt with regard to admissions counseling; requiring each board of trustees to establish policies that notify students about options they may use to attain the communication and computation skills that are essential to perform college-level work; deleting a prohibition against a student's enrollment in credit courses under certain circumstances; amending s. 1007.271, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; creating s. 1008.02, F.S.; providing definitions for the purpose of ch. 1008, F.S., relating to assessment and accountability for the K-20 education system; amending s. 1008.30, F.S.; providing that alternative assessments that may be accepted in lieu of the common placement test must be identified in rule; requiring the State Board of Education, in conjunction with the Board of Governors, to approve a series of metamajors, academic pathways, and degree maps that identify the gateway courses required for success in each meta-major; providing requirements for the common placement testing program; requiring the State Board of Education to adopt rules that require high schools

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to evaluate certain students for college readiness; requiring the State Board of Education to establish by rule the test scores a student must achieve to demonstrate readiness to perform college-level work; deleting provisions to conform to changes made by the act; conforming terminology; requiring the State Board of Education to adopt rules by a specified date to implement developmental education; requiring local policies and practices set by each Florida College System institution board of trustees to outline the student achievements 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; creating s. 1008.322, F.S.; requiring the Board of Governors of the State University System to oversee the performance of state university boards of trustees in the enforcement of laws, rules, and regulations; providing that state university presidents are responsible for the accuracy of the information and data reported to the Board of Governors; authorizing the Chancellor of the State University System to investigate allegations of noncompliance with law or Board of Governors' rule or regulation and determine probable cause; requiring the chancellor to report determinations of probable cause to the Board of Governors; authorizing the Board of Governors to initiate specified actions if the board determines that the state university board of trustees

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is unwilling or unable to comply with the law, certain rules or regulations, or audit recommendations; amending ss. 1008.37, 1009.22, and 1009.23, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; repealing s. 1009.28, F.S., relating to fees for repeated enrollment in college-preparatory classes; amending s. 1009.285, F.S.; requiring a student enrolled in the same undergraduate college-credit course more than once, except for students enrolled in a gateway course for an extended period of time, to pay tuition at 100 percent of the full cost of instruction; reducing the number of times certain coursework, which is excluded for the reduction of fees, is repeated for certain purposes; amending s. 1009.286, F.S.; excluding remedial courses from those courses that are counted when calculating credit hours earned toward a baccalaureate degree; amending s. 1009.40, F.S.; providing that undergraduate students participating in developmental education are eligible to receive financial aid for a specified number of semesters or quarters; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending s. 1009.53, F.S.; conforming terminology to changes made by the act; repealing s. 1009.531(7), F.S., relating to the eligibility of a student for an initial reward or renewal reward under the Florida Bright Futures Scholarship Program; amending s. 1011.84, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; providing a directive to the Division of Law Revision

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and Information; providing an effective date.

Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

- 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 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

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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 (g) of subsection (4), subsection (5), and paragraphs (c) and (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 who are concurrently participating in developmental education enrolled in 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 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 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:
  - (c) Program offerings and classification, including

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college-level communication and computation skills associated with successful performance in college and with tests and other assessment procedures that measure student achievement of those skills. The performance measures must provide that students moving from one level of education to the next acquire the necessary competencies for that level.

- (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 upperdivision-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 may authorize the Florida College System institution to offer an

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upper-division-level course or distance learning.

Section 3. 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 4. Subsection (11) of section 1004.02, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

1004.02 Definitions.—As used in this chapter:

(11) "Developmental education" "College-preparatory instruction" means instruction courses through which a high school graduate who applies for and enrolls in any college credit program may attain the communication and computation skills necessary to perform college-level work while also enrolled enroll in college credit instruction.

Section 5. Section 1004.43, Florida Statutes, is 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.

(1) The Board of <u>Trustees of the University of South</u>

<u>Florida Governors</u> shall enter into <u>a lease</u> an agreement for the <u>use utilization</u> of the <u>lands and</u> facilities on the campus of the University of South Florida to be known as the H. Lee Moffitt

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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 must be rent free so long as the not-for-profit corporation and its subsidiaries use the lands and facilities primarily for research, education, treatment, prevention, and the early detection of cancer or for teaching and research programs conducted by the state universities or other accredited medical schools or research institutes. The lease agreement must provide for review of construction plans and specifications by the university for consistency with the university's campus master plan, impact on the university's utilities infrastructure, and compliance with applicable building code and general design characteristics and compatibility 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 not-for-profit subsidiary are 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 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 may are authorized to receive, hold, invest, and administer property and any moneys received

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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 has shall have only one vote, serves 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 corporation.
- (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

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schools or research institutes.

- (2) (d) The not-for-profit corporation shall cause the Preparation of an annual financial <u>audits</u> audit of the not-for-profit corporation's accounts and records to be prepared and the accounts and records of any subsidiaries to be conducted by an independent certified public accountant. <u>Each The</u> annual <u>financial</u> audit report <u>must shall</u> include a management letter, as defined in s. 11.45, and <u>must shall</u> 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 <u>may shall have the authority to</u> 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  $\underline{\text{shall provide}}$  of equal employment opportunities to all persons regardless of race, color, religion, sex, age, or national origin.
- (3) The Board of Governors <u>may</u> is authorized to secure comprehensive general liability protection, including professional liability protection, for the not-for-profit corporation and its subsidiaries pursuant to s. 1004.24. The not-for-profit corporation and its subsidiaries <u>are shall be</u> exempt from <u>any</u> participation in any property insurance trust fund established by law, including any property insurance trust fund established pursuant to chapter 284, so long as the not-for-profit corporation and its subsidiaries maintain property insurance protection with comparable or greater coverage limits.

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- (4) If In the event that the agreement between the not-for-profit corporation and the Board of Trustees of the University of South Florida Governors is terminated for any reason, the Board of Governors shall resume governance and operation of such facilities.
- (5) The institute shall be administered by a chief executive officer who serves shall serve at the pleasure of the board of directors of the not-for-profit corporation and who has shall have the following powers and duties subject to the approval of the board of directors:
- (a) The chief executive officer shall establish programs that which fulfill the mission of the institute in research, education, treatment, prevention, and the early detection of cancer; however, the chief executive officer may shall not establish academic programs for which academic credit is awarded and which terminate in the conference of a degree without prior approval of the Board of Governors.
- (b) The chief executive officer <u>has</u> shall have control over the budget and the dollars appropriated or donated to the institute from private, local, state, and federal sources, as well as technical and professional income generated or derived from practice activities of the not-for-profit corporation and its subsidiaries. Technical and professional income generated from practice activities may be shared between the not-for-profit corporation and its subsidiaries as determined by the chief executive officer. However, professional income generated by state university employees from practice activities at the not-for-profit corporation and its subsidiaries <u>must</u> shall be shared between the university and the not-for-profit corporation

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and its subsidiaries only as determined by the chief executive officer and the appropriate university dean or vice president.

- (c) The chief executive officer shall appoint members to carry out the research, patient care, and educational activities of the institute and determine compensation, benefits, and terms of service. Members of the institute <u>are shall be</u> eligible to hold concurrent appointments at affiliated academic institutions. State university faculty <u>are shall be</u> eligible to hold concurrent appointments at the institute.
- (d) The chief executive officer  $\underline{\text{has}}$  shall have control over the use and assignment of space and equipment within the facilities.
- (e) The chief executive officer <u>has</u> shall have the power to create the administrative structure necessary to carry out the mission of the institute.
- (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.
- (g) The chief executive officer shall provide a copy of the institute's annual report to the Governor and Cabinet, the President of the Senate, the Speaker of the House of Representatives, and the chair of the Board of Governors.
- (6) The board of directors of the not-for-profit corporation shall create <u>an external advisory board</u> a <u>council</u> of scientific advisers to the chief executive officer comprised of leading researchers, physicians, and scientists. This <u>board</u> <u>council</u> shall review programs and recommend research priorities and initiatives so as to maximize the state's investment in the

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institute. The <u>board</u> council shall be appointed by the board of directors of the not-for-profit corporation. Each member of the <u>board</u> council shall be appointed to serve a 2-year term and may be reappointed to the council.

- (7) In carrying out the provisions of this section, the not-for-profit corporation and its subsidiaries are not "agencies" within the meaning of s. 20.03(11).
- (8)(a) Records of the not-for-profit corporation and of its subsidiaries are public records unless made confidential or exempt by law.
- (b) Proprietary confidential business information is confidential and exempt from the provisions of s. 119.07(1) and s. 24(a), Art. I of the State Constitution. However, the Auditor General, the Office of Program Policy Analysis and Government Accountability, and the Board of Governors, pursuant to their oversight and auditing functions, must be given access to all proprietary confidential business information upon request and without subpoena and must maintain the confidentiality of information so received. As used in this paragraph, the term "proprietary confidential business information" means information, regardless of its form or characteristics, which is owned or controlled by the not-for-profit corporation or its subsidiaries; is intended to be and is treated by the not-forprofit corporation or its subsidiaries as private and the disclosure of which would harm the business operations of the not-for-profit corporation or its subsidiaries; has not been intentionally disclosed by the corporation or its subsidiaries unless pursuant to law, an order of a court or administrative body, a legislative proceeding pursuant to s. 5, Art. III of the

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State Constitution, or a private agreement that provides that the information may be released to the public; and which is information concerning:

- 1. Internal auditing controls and reports of internal auditors;
- 2. Matters reasonably encompassed in privileged attorneyclient communications;
- 3. Contracts for managed-care arrangements, including preferred provider organization contracts, health maintenance organization contracts, and exclusive provider organization contracts, and any documents directly relating to the negotiation, performance, and implementation of any such contracts for managed-care arrangements;
- 4. Bids or other contractual data, banking records, and credit agreements the disclosure of which would impair the efforts of the not-for-profit corporation or its subsidiaries to contract for goods or services on favorable terms;
- 5. Information relating to private contractual data, the disclosure of which would impair the competitive interest of the provider of the information;
  - 6. Corporate officer and employee personnel information;
- 7. Information relating to the proceedings and records of credentialing panels and committees and of the governing board of the not-for-profit corporation or its subsidiaries relating to credentialing;
- 8. Minutes of meetings of the governing board of the not-for-profit corporation and its subsidiaries, except minutes of meetings open to the public pursuant to subsection (9);
  - 9. Information that reveals plans for marketing services

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that the corporation or its subsidiaries reasonably expect to be provided by competitors;

- 10. Trade secrets as defined in s. 688.002, including:
- a. Information relating to methods of manufacture or production, potential trade secrets, potentially patentable materials, or proprietary information received, generated, ascertained, or discovered during the course of research conducted by the not-for-profit corporation or its subsidiaries; and
  - b. Reimbursement methodologies or rates;
- 11. The identity of donors or prospective donors of property who wish to remain anonymous or any information identifying such donors or prospective donors. The anonymity of these donors or prospective donors must be maintained in the auditor's report; or
- 12. Any information received by the not-for-profit corporation or its subsidiaries from an agency in this or another state or nation or the Federal Government which is otherwise exempt or confidential pursuant to the laws of this or another state or nation or pursuant to federal law.

As used in this paragraph, the term "managed care" means systems or techniques generally used by third-party payors or their agents to affect access to and control payment for health care services. Managed-care techniques most often include one or more of the following: prior, concurrent, and retrospective review of the medical necessity and appropriateness of services or site of services; contracts with selected health care providers;

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specific providers, services, or service sites; controlled access to and coordination of services by a case manager; and payor efforts to identify treatment alternatives and modify benefit restrictions for high-cost patient care.

- (9) Meetings of the governing board of the not-for-profit corporation and meetings of the subsidiaries of the not-for-profit corporation at which the expenditure of dollars appropriated to the not-for-profit corporation by the state are discussed or reported must remain open to the public in accordance with s. 286.011 and s. 24(b), Art. I of the State Constitution, unless made confidential or exempt by law. Other meetings of the governing board of the not-for-profit corporation and of the subsidiaries of the not-for-profit corporation are exempt from s. 286.011 and s. 24(b), Art. I of the State Constitution.
- (10) In addition to the continuing appropriation to the institute provided in s. 210.20(2), any appropriation to the institute provided in a general appropriations act shall be paid directly to the board of directors of the not-for-profit corporation by warrant drawn by the Chief Financial Officer from the State Treasury.
- Section 6. <u>Section 1004.58</u>, <u>Florida Statutes</u>, <u>is repealed</u>. Section 7. Subsection (4) of section 1004.93, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:
  - 1004.93 Adult general education.-
- (4)(a) Adult general education shall be evaluated and funded as provided in s. 1011.80.
- (b) Fees for adult basic instruction are to be charged in accordance with chapter 1009.

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(c) The State Board of Education shall define, by rule, the levels and courses of instruction to be funded through the college-preparatory program. The state board shall coordinate the establishment of costs for 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 college-preparatory instruction. 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 college-preparatory and lifelong learning students shall be reported separately. Allocations for college-preparatory courses shall be based on proportional fulltime equivalent enrollment. Program review results shall be included in the determination of subsequent allocations. A student shall be funded to enroll in the same 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 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. College-preparatory and lifelong learning courses do

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not generate credit toward an associate or baccalaureate degree.

(c) (e) A district school board or a Florida College System institution board of trustees may negotiate a contract with the regional workforce board for specialized services for participants in the welfare transition program, beyond what is routinely provided for the general public, to be funded by the regional workforce board.

Section 8. 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  $\frac{36}{30}$  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 9. 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 education core course options. General education core course options <u>must shall</u> consist of a maximum of five courses within

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each of the subject areas of communication, mathematics, social sciences, humanities, and natural sciences. The core courses may be revised or the five-course cap within each subject area may be exceeded if approved by the State Board of Education and the Board of Governors, as recommended by the subject area faculty committee and approved by the Articulation Coordinating Committee, as necessary for a subject area. 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.

(6) The universities and Florida College System institutions shall work with their respective 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 be identified by each institution and, beginning with students initially entering a Florida College System institution

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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.

- more than 60 semester hours of college credit and must, 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 must include and demonstration of competency in a foreign language pursuant to s. 1007.262. Except for developmental education provided college-preparatory coursework required pursuant to s. 1008.30, all required coursework counts 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 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

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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 and including 36, 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 10. 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 <u>may</u> is authorized to adopt rules governing admissions of students subject to this section and rules of the State Board of Education. These rules must <u>shall</u> include the following:

(1) Admissions counseling <u>must</u> <u>shall</u> be provided to all students entering college or career credit programs. Counseling <u>must use</u> <u>shall utilize</u> 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. <u>Counseling includes providing developmental</u> <u>education options for students whose assessment results, determined under s. 1008.30, indicate that they need to improve communication or computation skills that are essential to perform college-level work.</u>

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- (2) Admission to associate degree programs is subject to minimum standards adopted by the State Board of Education and requires 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  $\underline{\text{must}}$   $\underline{\text{shall}}$  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 who has with a documented disability may be eligible for reasonable substitutions, as prescribed in ss. 1007.264 and 1007.265.

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their communication or computation skills that are essential to performing college-level work, including tutoring, extended time in gateway courses, free online courses and place students into, adult basic education, adult secondary education, or other instructional programs that provide students with alternatives to traditional college-preparatory instruction, 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 common placement test.

Section 11. Subsections (2) and (14) of section 1007.271, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:

1007.271 Dual enrollment programs.

(2) 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

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enrollment may vary from 900 hours; however, the school district 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. 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.

(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. 1007.24 to participate in a dual enrollment program.

Section 12. Section 1008.02, Florida Statutes, is created to read:

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1008.02 Definitions.—As used in this chapter, the term:

- (1) "Accelerated course structure" means a course or strand of study that accelerates the progress of students in developmental education through self-paced attainment of specific skills.
- (2) "Corequisite education" means developmental education 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.

  Developmental education may not be offered as a noncredit course for which a student pays tuition but must be offered corequisite to a gateway course.
- (4) "Gateway course" means the first course that provides transferable, college-level credit allowing students to progress in their 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 13. Section 1008.30, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

1008.30 Common placement testing for public postsecondary education.—

- (1) The State Board of Education, in conjunction with the Board of Governors, shall develop and implement a 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 common 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 October 1, 2013, 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 common placement test, the alternative assessments that may be used in lieu of the common placement test, and achievements that may be considered by institutional boards of trustees, as adopted by state board rule, shall be used to diagnose a student's readiness for his or her chosen meta-major and to provide academic counseling to the student concerning options for attaining the necessary skills through developmental education while enrolled in credit courses.
- $\underline{\text{(3)}}$  The common placement testing program  $\underline{\text{must}}$  shall include at a minimum the following: the capacity to diagnose

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basic competencies in the areas of English, reading, and mathematics which are essential for success in meta-majors and to 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 skills the student needs to attain deficiencies.

(4) (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.  $1008.22 ext{ s. } 1008.22(3)(c)$ . High schools shall perform this evaluation using results from the corresponding component of the 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 shall not be required to retest or enroll in remediation when admitted to any Florida College System institution. The high school shall

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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 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, mathematics, or writing, or English language arts preparatory course.

(5) (4) (a) The State Board of Education shall establish by rule the test scores a student must achieve to demonstrate readiness to perform college-level work. Students who demonstrate readiness by achieving or exceeding the test scores <u>established</u> by the <u>state</u> 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. Students who have been identified as requiring additional preparation pursuant to subsection (1) shall enroll 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

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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 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. (6) (b) A university board of trustees may contract with a

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Florida College System institution to provide <u>developmental</u>
education such instruction on the state university campus. Any
state university in which the percentage of incoming students
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instruction equals or exceeds the average percentage of such
students for the Florida College System may offer <u>such</u>
developmental education college-preparatory instruction without
contracting with a Florida College System institution; however,
any state university offering college-preparatory instruction as
of January 1, 1996, may continue to provide such services.

- (7) (a) (5) The State Board of Education shall adopt rules by January 1, 2014, to implement developmental education. The rules must include:
- 1. Student achievements that may be considered by institutional boards, such as performance on college placement tests, grade point averages, work history, military experience, career interests, degree major declaration, or any combination thereof.
- 2. Recommended options for students performing at levels indicating adult education as an appropriate place for students to develop needed college-entry academic skills.
- 3. Sufficient flexibility for local professional judgment and determinations of appropriate student options for achieving necessary skills.
- 4. Limits on credit course enrollment for students indicating the need for preparatory assistance based on assessed skill levels.
- (b) Local policies and practices set by each Florida

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student achievements 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. Instructional options must, at a minimum, provide for enrollment of a student in a credit course either with or without institutionally required corequisite education, mastery-based instruction or accelerated pathways for developing skills, or enrolling in adult education to attain needed skills, as chosen by the student. 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 who choose to attain skills in adult education when such instruction is not provided by the Florida College System institution A student may not be enrolled in a college credit mathematics or English course on a dual enrollment basis unless the student has demonstrated adequate precollegiate preparation on the section of the basic computation and communication skills assessment required pursuant to subsection (1) that is appropriate for successful student participation in the course.

Section 14. 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

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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 State University System mandates that the state universities comply with all requests by the Board of Governors for information, data, and reports. State university presidents are responsible for the accuracy of the information and data reported to the Board of Governors.
- (3) The Chancellor of the State University System may investigate allegations of noncompliance with 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 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.
- (5) If the Board of Governors determines that a state university board of trustees is unwilling or unable to comply with law or Board of Governors' rule or regulation or an audit recommendation within the specified time, the Board of Governors, in addition to actions constitutionally authorized, may initiate any of the following actions:
- (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

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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 law or Board of Governors' rule or regulation and recommend action to be taken by the Legislature.
- (6) This section does not 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 15. Subsection (2) of section 1008.37, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:
- 1008.37 Postsecondary feedback of information to high schools.—
- (2) No later than November 30 of each year, 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 prior year Florida high school graduates
  who enrolled for the first time in public postsecondary
  education in this state during the previous summer, fall, or
  spring term. The report must include, indicating the number of
  students whose scores on the common placement test that is
  required under s. 1008.30, indicate indicated the need to attain
  communication and computation skills through developmental
  education options offered by a public postsecondary institution
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vocational-preparatory instruction pursuant to s. 1004.91 or s. 1008.30.

Section 16. Paragraph (a) of 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. Residency of students shall be determined as required in s. 1009.21. Fee-nonexempt students enrolled in vocational-preparatory instruction shall be charged fees equal to the fees charged for adult general education programs. Each Florida College System institution that conducts college-preparatory and vocational-preparatory instruction in the same class section may charge a single fee for both types of instruction.

Section 17. Subsection (1), paragraph (a) of subsection (3), and subsection (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 <u>developmental</u> <u>education noncollege credit college-preparatory courses</u> defined in s. 1004.02, and for educator preparation institute programs defined in s. 1004.85.
- (3) (a) Effective July 1, 2011, for advanced and professional, postsecondary vocational, college preparatory, and

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educator preparation institute programs, the standard tuition  $\underline{is}$  shall be \$68.56 per credit hour for residents and nonresidents, and the out-of-state fee is shall be \$205.82 per credit hour.

(10) 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 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 18. Section 1009.28, Florida Statutes, is repealed. Section 19. Section 1009.285, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

1009.285 Fees for repeated enrollment in college-credit courses.—A student enrolled in the same undergraduate college-credit course more than once, except for students enrolled in a gateway course for an extended period of time under s. 1008.30, must twice shall pay tuition at 100 percent of the full cost of instruction, and may not be and shall not be included in

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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 if, provided that approval is granted according to policy established by the Florida College System institution board of trustees or the university board of trustees. Each Florida College System institution and state university may review and reduce fees paid by students due to continued enrollment in a college-credit class on an individual basis contingent upon the student's financial hardship. For purposes of this section, first-time enrollment in a class <a href="means">means</a> shall mean enrollment in a class beginning fall semester 1997, and calculations of the full cost of instruction is shall be based on the systemwide average of the prior year's cost of undergraduate programs for the Florida College System institutions and the state universities. Boards of trustees may make exceptions to this section for individualized study, elective coursework, courses that are repeated as a requirement of a major, and courses that are intended as continuing over multiple semesters, excluding the repeat of coursework more than once two times to increase grade point average or meet minimum course grade requirements.

Section 20. Paragraph (g) of subsection (4) of section 1009.286, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

1009.286 Additional student payment for hours exceeding baccalaureate degree program completion requirements at state universities.—

(4) For purposes of this section, credit hours earned under the following circumstances are not calculated as hours required

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(g) Remedial and English as a Second Language credit hours. 1105 Section 21. Subsection (3) of section 1009.40, Florida 1106 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 developmental education and college-preparatory instruction, 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 22. 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 developmental education remedial or college-preparatory coursework.

Section 23. Subsection (7) of section 1009.531, Florida Statutes, is repealed.

Section 24. Paragraph (b) of subsection (1) and subsection (5) of section 1011.84, Florida Statutes, are 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

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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 is shall be based on advanced and professional disciplines, developmental education college-preparatory programs, and other programs for adults funded pursuant to s. 1011.80.
- (5) REPORT OF <u>DEVELOPMENTAL</u> REMEDIAL EDUCATION.—Each Florida College System institution board of trustees shall report, as a separate item in its annual cost accounting system, the volume and cost of <u>developmental education options provided</u> to help students attain the communication and computation skills that are essential for college-level work pursuant to s. 1008.30 remedial education activities as a separate item in its annual cost accounting system.

Section 25. The Division of Law Revision and Information is directed to prepare a reviser's bill for the 2014 Regular Session of the Legislature to change the terms "General Educational Development test" or "GED test" to "high school equivalency examination" and the terms "general education diploma," "graduate equivalency diploma," or "GED" to "high school equivalency diploma" wherever those terms appear in the Florida Statutes.

Section 26. This act shall take effect July 1, 2013.