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Section 8. Section 1006	5.72, Florida	Statutes, is repealed.
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(Substantial rewording	of section. S	See
s. 1006.73, F.S., for p		
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established to provide a single library automation system and associated resources and services that all public postsecondary institutions shall use to support learning, teaching, and research needs.

- (2) The Florida Academic Library Services Cooperative shall:
- (a) Develop and manage a library information portal and automated library management tools for use by Florida College System institutions and state universities. The library information portal and automated library management tools shall include, but are not limited to, the following services and functions:
- 1. A shared Internet-based catalog and discovery tool that allows a user to search and, if authorized, access the aggregate library holdings of the state's public postsecondary education institutions. The catalog and discovery tool shall allow a user to search the library holdings of one institution, selected institutions, or all institutions and, to the extent feasible, shall include an interlibrary loan function that ensures that an authorized user can access the required library holding.
- 2. An Internet-based searchable collection of electronic resources which shall include, but not be limited to, full-text journals, articles, databases, and electronic books licensed pursuant to paragraph (b).
- 3. An integrated library management system and its associated services that all public postsecondary education institution academic libraries shall use for purposes of acquiring, cataloging, circulating, and tracking library material.

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- 4. A statewide searchable database that includes an inventory of digital archives and collections held by public postsecondary education institutions.
- (b) In collaboration with library staff from Florida College System institutions and state universities, coordinate the negotiation of statewide licensing of electronic library resources and preferred pricing agreements, issue purchase orders, and enter into contracts for the acquisition of library support services, electronic resources, and other goods and services necessary to carry out its duties under this section. For purposes of licensing electronic library resources from funds appropriated to the Complete Florida Plus Program, those resources licensed for 4-year-degree-seeking students shall be made available to all 4-year-degree-seeking students in the Florida College System and the State University System.
- (c) Promote and provide recommendations concerning the use and distribution of open-access textbooks and education resources as a method for reducing costs, and work with public postsecondary education institutions in developing a standardized process for the review and approval of open-access textbooks.
- (d) Provide appropriate help desk support and training and consultation services to institutions and students using the services of the Florida Academic Library Services Cooperative.
- (e) Receive all data center services from the Northwest Regional Data Center established pursuant to s. 1004.649.
- (3) The University of West Florida shall hire a director for the Florida Academic Library Services Cooperative, who shall report to and is under the supervision and direction of the



70 director of the Complete Florida Plus Program established 71 pursuant to s. 1006.735. The director of the Florida Academic 72 Library Services Cooperative shall: 73 (a) Exercise all powers, duties, and functions of the 74 cooperative prescribed by law. (b) Administer the operational requirements of the 75 76 cooperative. 77 (c) Hire professional and administrative staff necessary to carry out the duties of the cooperative. The director shall hire 78 79 the minimum administrative staff necessary to administer the 80 duties of the cooperative. (4) Beginning December 31, 2014, and each year thereafter, 81 82 the University of West Florida shall submit a report to the 83 President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of 84 Representatives describing the implementation and operation of 85 the Florida Academic Library Services Cooperative to include, but not be limited to, information and associated costs relating 86 87 to the services and functions identified in subsection (2). 88 Section 10. Section 1006.735, Florida Statutes, is amended 89 to read: 90 1006.735 Complete Florida Plus Degree Program.—The Complete 91 Florida Plus Program is created at the University of West 92 Florida. 93 (1) PURPOSE.-The purpose of the Complete Florida Plus 94 Program is to: 95 (a) Facilitate degree completion for the state's adult 96 learners through the Complete Florida Degree Initiative.

learning courses and degree programs offered by public

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- (c) Coordinate with the Florida College System and the State University System to identify and provide online academic support services and resources when the multi-institutional provision of such services and resources is more cost-effective or operationally effective.
- (d) Administer the Florida Academic Library Services Cooperative established in s. 1006.73 and consult with the chancellors of the Florida College System and State University System regarding the implementation and operations of the cooperative.
- (2)(1) COMPLETE FLORIDA DEGREE INITIATIVE.—The Complete Florida Degree Initiative Program is established within the Complete Florida Plus Program 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 learner" means a student who has successfully completed collegelevel coursework in multiple semesters but has left an institution in good standing before completing his or her degree. The initiative program shall give priority to adult learners who are veterans or active duty members of the United States Armed Forces.
- (a) (2) The Complete Florida Degree Initiative Program 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 initiative program shall

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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.

- (b) (3) In determining For purposes of selecting the degree programs that will be given priority, in the Complete Florida Degree Initiative Program, the institutions identified in subsection (2) shall partner with public and private job recruitment and placement agencies and shall use labor market data and projections, including those identified in the Board of Governors' gap analysis, to identify the specific workforce needs and targeted occupations of the state.
- (c) (4) The Complete Florida Degree Initiative Program 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) By the end of the 2013-2014 academic year, the Complete Florida Degree Program 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

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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 program 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) The Complete Florida Degree Initiative must:

1. Use existing and, if necessary, develop new competencybased 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 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.

2.(e) Develop and implement an evaluation process that collects, analyzes, and provides to the chancellors of the Florida College System and the State University System, 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 initiative program 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 initiative program.

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Institutions involved in the initiative program shall also collect job placement and employment data on the adult learners who have completed their degrees as a result of the initiative program.

3.(f) Develop and implement a statewide student recruitment campaign targeted toward adult learners, particularly veterans and active duty members of the United States Armed Forces, for enrollment in the degree programs offered through the initiative program.

(e) (6) For purposes of the Complete Florida Degree Initiative Program, 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 submit the information to 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, on the need for a differentiated tuition and fee structure for the development and delivery of distance learning courses.

(3) STATEWIDE INTERNET-BASED CATALOG OF DISTANCE LEARNING COURSES.—The Complete Florida Plus Program shall develop and manage a statewide Internet-based catalog of distance learning courses, degree programs, and resources offered by public postsecondary education institutions which is intended to assist in the coordination and collaboration of articulation and access pursuant to parts II and III of chapter 1007. The program shall establish operational procedures for the catalog which must:

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- (a) Require participating institutions to provide specific information concerning the distance learning course or degree program, including course number, classification of instructional programs number, and information on the availability of the course or degree program; any prerequisite course or technology competency or skill; the availability of academic support services and financial aid resources; and course costs, fees, and payment policies.
- (b) Require that distance learning courses and degree programs meet applicable accreditation standards and criteria.
- (c) Require that the catalog is reviewed and updated frequently to ensure that distance learning courses and degree programs comply with operational procedures.
- (d) Define and describe the catalog's search and retrieval options that, at a minimum, will allow users to search by academic term or course start date; institution, multiple institutions, or all institutions; and course or program delivery methods, course type, course availability, subject or discipline, and course number or classification of instructional programs number.
- (e) Use an Internet-based analytic tool that allows for the collection and analysis of data, including, but not limited to:
- 1. The number and type of students who use the catalog to search for distance learning courses and degree programs.
- 2. The number and type of requests for information about distance learning courses and degree programs that are not listed in the catalog.
- 3. A summary of specific requests by course type or course number, delivery method, offering institution, and semester.

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- (4) STATEWIDE ONLINE STUDENT ADVISING SERVICES AND SUPPORT.—The Complete Florida Plus Program shall make available to all postsecondary students on a statewide basis online services and support, and the program shall, at a minimum:
- (a) Streamline online admissions application process, which shall be used by all postsecondary institutions, for undergraduate transient students currently enrolled and pursuing a degree at a public postsecondary education institution who enroll in a course offered by a public postsecondary education institution that is not the student's degree-granting institution. The University of West Florida shall work with Florida College System institutions and state universities to:
- 1. Use the transient student admissions application available through the statewide computer-assisted student advising system established pursuant to paragraph (b). This admissions application is the only application required for enrollment of a transient student as described in this paragraph.
- 2. Implement the financial aid procedures required by the transient student admissions application process.
- 3. Transfer credit awarded by the institution offering the course to the transient student's degree-granting institution.
- 4. Provide an interface between the institutional advising system and the statewide computer-assisted student advising system established pursuant to paragraph (b) in order to electronically send, receive, and process the transient student admissions application.
- (b) Manage a K-20 statewide computer-assisted student advising system. The system shall support career and education

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planning for the K-12 system, and the process of advising, registering, and certifying postsecondary students for graduation and include a degree audit and an articulation component. Florida College System institutions and state universities shall interface institutional advising systems with the statewide computer-assisted student advising system. At a minimum, the statewide computer-assisted student advising system shall:

- 1. Allow a student to access the system at any time.
- 2. Support K-12 career and education planning required by s. 1003.4156(1)(e).
- 3. Allow a student to search public postsecondary education institutions and identify course options that will meet the requirements of a selected path toward a degree.
- 4. Audit transcripts of students enrolled in a public postsecondary education institution to assess current academic standing, the requirements for a student to transfer to another institution, and all requirements necessary for graduation.
- 5. Serve as the official statewide repository for the common prerequisite manual, admissions information for transferring programs, foreign language requirements, residency requirements, and statewide articulation agreements.
- 6. Provide information relating to career descriptions and corresponding educational requirements, admissions requirements, and available sources of student financial assistance.
- 7. Provide the admissions application for transient students pursuant to paragraph (a) which must include the electronic transfer and receipt of information and records for:
 - a. Admissions and readmissions.



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- c. Transfer of credit awarded by the institution offering the course to the transient student's degree-granting institution.
- (c) Identify and evaluate new technologies and instructional methods for improving distance learning instruction and development for faculty, student learning outcomes, student access, the efficient delivery of student support services, the alignment of degrees to career needs, and the overall quality of postsecondary distance learning courses and degree programs.
- (d) Provide appropriate help desk support and training and consultation services to institutions and students using the services and resources of the Complete Florida Plus Program.
- (e) Coordinate the negotiation of statewide licensing resources and preferred pricing agreements, issue purchase orders, and enter into contracts for the acquisition of distance learning resources, student and support services, electronic resources, and other goods and services necessary to carry out duties under this section.
- (f) In consultation with public postsecondary education institutions, develop and implement a plan that describes the services and resources available through the Complete Florida Plus Program to encourage current and prospective students' use of such services and resources.
- (5) REPORT.—Beginning December 31, 2014, and each year thereafter, the University of West Florida shall submit a report to the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives regarding the implementation and operation of

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all components of the Complete Florida Plus Program, including, but not limited to, information and associated costs relating to the services and functions of the program.

- (6) DATA CENTER SERVICES.—The Northwest Regional Data Center established pursuant to s. 1004.649 shall provide all data center services necessary to support the statewide Internet-based catalog established in subsection (3) and the statewide online student advising services and support established in subsection (4).
- (7) The University of West Florida, in collaboration with its partners, shall submit to the chairs of the Board of Governors, the State Board of Education, and the legislative appropriations committees no later than September 1, 2013, a detailed program plan that defines the major work activities, student eligibility criteria, timeline, and cost for implementing the Complete Florida Degree Program.

Section 11. Paragraph (h) of subsection (3) of section 1007.01, Florida Statutes, is amended, and a new paragraph (i) is added to that subsection, 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 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

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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, 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:

- (h) Recommend roles and responsibilities of public education entities in interfacing with the single, statewide computer-assisted student advising system established pursuant to s. 1006.735 1006.73.
- (i) Make recommendations regarding the cost and requirements to develop and implement an online system for collecting and analyzing data regarding requests for transfer of credit by postsecondary education students. The system, at a minimum, must collect information regarding the total number of credit transfer requests denied and the reason for each denial. Recommendations shall be reported to the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives on or before January 31, 2015.

Section 12. Subsection (1) of section 1007.27, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

1007.27 Articulated acceleration mechanisms.

(1) It is the intent of the Legislature that a variety of articulated acceleration mechanisms be available for secondary and postsecondary students attending public educational institutions. It is intended that articulated acceleration serve to shorten the time necessary for a student to complete the

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requirements associated with the conference of a high school diploma and a postsecondary degree, broaden the scope of curricular options available to students, or increase the depth of study available for a particular subject. Articulated acceleration mechanisms shall include, but are not limited to, dual enrollment and early admission as provided for in s. 1007.271, advanced placement, credit by examination, the International Baccalaureate Program, and the Advanced International Certificate of Education Program. Credit earned through the Florida Virtual School shall provide additional opportunities for early graduation and acceleration. Students of Florida public secondary schools enrolled pursuant to this subsection shall be deemed authorized users of the state-funded electronic library resources that are licensed for Florida College System institutions and state universities by the Florida Academic Library Services Cooperative Florida Virtual Campus. Verification of eligibility shall be in accordance with rules established by the State Board of Education and regulations established by the Board of Governors and processes implemented by Florida College System institutions and state universities.

Section 13. Paragraphs (a) and (c) of subsection (16) and subsection (17) of section 1009.23, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:

1009.23 Florida College System institution student fees.-(16) (a) Each Florida College System institution may assess a student who enrolls in a course listed in the distance learning catalog, established pursuant to s. 1006.735 1006.73, a per-credit-hour distance learning course user fee. For purposes

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of assessing this fee, a distance learning course is a course in which at least 80 percent of the direct instruction of the course is delivered using some form of technology when the student and instructor are separated by time or space, or both.

- (c) If an institution assesses the distance learning fee, the institution must provide a The link to for the catalog must be prominently displayed within the advising and distance learning sections of the institution's website, using a graphic and description provided by the Complete Florida Plus Program Florida Virtual Campus, to inform students of the catalog.
- (17) Each Florida College System institution that accepts transient students, pursuant to s. 1006.735 1006.73, may establish a transient student fee not to exceed \$5 per course for processing the transient student admissions application.

Section 14. Paragraph (t) of subsection (14) and paragraphs (a) and (c) of subsection (17) of section 1009.24, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:

1009.24 State university student fees.-

- (14) Except as otherwise provided in subsection (15), each university board of trustees is authorized to establish the following fees:
- (t) A transient student fee that may not exceed \$5 per course for accepting a transient student and processing the transient student admissions application pursuant to s. 1006.735 1006.73.

444 With the exception of housing rental rates and except as 445 otherwise provided, fees assessed pursuant to paragraphs (h)-(s)

shall be based on reasonable costs of services. The Board of 446

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Governors shall adopt regulations and timetables necessary to implement the fees and fines authorized under this subsection. The fees assessed under this subsection may be used for debt only as authorized under s. 1010.62.

- (17) (a) A state university may assess a student who enrolls in a course listed in the distance learning catalog, established pursuant to s. 1006.735 1006.73, a per-credit-hour distance learning course fee. For purposes of assessing this fee, a distance learning course is a course in which at least 80 percent of the direct instruction of the course is delivered using some form of technology when the student and instructor are separated by time or space, or both.
- (c) If an institution assesses the distance learning fee, the institution must provide a The link to for the catalog must be prominently displayed within the advising and distance learning sections of the institution's website, using a graphic and description provided by the Complete Florida Plus Program Florida Virtual Campus, to inform informing students of the catalog.

Section 15. (1) All records, personnel, property, pending issues, and unexpended balances of appropriations, allocations, and other funds of the Florida Virtual Campus are transferred to the University of West Florida.

(2) Except for the service agreement executed July 1, 2012, between the University of Florida Board of Trustees and the Florida Virtual Campus for the University of Florida to be the administrative contract institution of the Florida Virtual Campus, all other binding contracts or agreements entered into and between the Florida Virtual Campus or an entity or agent of



the campus and any other agency, entity, or person shall continue as a binding contract or agreement with the University of West Florida for the remainder of the term of such contract or agreement. (3) The service agreement executed July 1, 2012, between the University of Florida Board of Trustees and the Florida Virtual Campus for the University of Florida to be the administrative contract institution for the Florida Virtual

- Campus shall terminate December 31, 2014, or upon the transfer, whichever occurs first. (4) It is the intent of the Legislature that the changes
- made by this act be accomplished with minimal disruption of services provided to Florida College System institutions, state universities, and their staffs and students. Therefore, the Legislature finds that the transition period between July 1, 2014, and December 31, 2014, is appropriate and warranted.
- (5) The Board of Governors, on behalf of the University of West Florida, shall develop and submit to the Legislative Budget Commission a budget amendment that includes a transition plan for absorbing the transfer of the Florida Virtual Campus resources to the University of West Florida.

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providing duties of the cooperative; providing that the University of West Florida shall hire a director for the cooperative, who shall report to the executive director of the Complete Florida Plus Program; providing duties of the cooperative's director; providing reporting requirements for the University of West Florida; amending s. 1006.735, F.S.; creating the Complete Florida Plus Program within the Innovation Institute at the University of West Florida; providing purpose; establishing the Complete Florida Degree Initiative; providing implementation and requirements for the initiative; authorizing the program to develop and manage a catalog of distance learning courses; providing catalog requirements; authorizing the program to make online support and services available to postsecondary students; providing requirements for such support and services; providing that the program shall make a statewide advising service available to all postsecondary students; providing requirements for the advising service; providing that the program shall support a K-12 career and education planning system and interface the statewide advising service with state university advising systems; requiring the University of West Florida to submit an annual report to the Legislature regarding the program; providing that the Northwest Regional Data Center shall provide data center services to support the catalog and the statewide advising service; amending s. 1007.01, F.S.; requiring that the Articulation Coordinating Committee

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provide certain recommendations to the Legislature by a specified date; conforming a cross-reference; amending ss. 1007.27, 1009.23, and 1009.24, F.S.; conforming provisions; transferring the Florida Virtual Campus to the University of West Florida; providing for termination of a service agreement between the University of Florida Board of Trustees and the Florida Virtual Campus; providing that other contracts and agreements of the Florida Virtual Campus are binding on the University of West Florida; providing legislative findings and intent; directing the Board of Governors to develop and submit to the Legislative Budget Commission a transition plan for transferring Florida Virtual Campus resources to the University of West Florida; amending s. 1011.71, F.S.; conforming