

By Senator Holzendorf

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1 A bill to be entitled
2 An act relating to the Board of Regents;
3 repealing s. 240.207, F.S.; abolishing the
4 board; requiring the board to submit a report;
5 requiring interim studies by the Legislature;
6 providing an effective date.

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

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10 Section 1. Section 240.207, Florida Statutes, is
11 repealed on July 1, 2002, and the Board of Regents is
12 abolished.

13 Section 2. Before the 2001 Regular Session of the
14 Legislature, the Board of Regents shall submit to the
15 Legislature a report that justifies the continued existence of
16 the board and its retention of its powers and
17 responsibilities.

18 Section 3. The President of the Senate and the Speaker
19 of the House of Representatives shall direct the staffs of the
20 appropriate committee or committees of their respective houses
21 to study during the interim preceding the 2001 Regular Session
22 the issues of whether the Board of Regents should be abolished
23 and the feasibility of transferring responsibilities presently
24 exercised by the board to the boards of trustees of the
25 individual universities in the State University System.

26 Section 4. This act shall take effect upon becoming a
27 law.

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SENATE SUMMARY

Abolishes the Board of Regents July 1, 2001. Before that date, the board must submit a report to the Legislature justifying its continuation, and legislative committees must study the issue of the board's abolition and the feasibility of distributing its responsibilities to the boards of trustees of the various universities.