

By the Committee on Education and Senator Sullivan

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1                                   A bill to be entitled  
2           An act relating to postsecondary education;  
3           authorizing the Board of Regents and the State  
4           Board of Community Colleges, in implementing a  
5           single, statewide computer-assisted student  
6           advising system, to secure and enforce patents  
7           on work products, enter into various  
8           agreements, and sell work products; providing  
9           for any or all of the proceeds derived from  
10          such activities to be used to develop and  
11          maintain the computer-assisted student advising  
12          system; requiring review and comment by  
13          legislative leaders; providing an effective  
14          date.

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

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18           Section 1. (1) In implementing the single, statewide  
19 computer-assisted student advising system required under  
20 section 240.2099, Florida Statutes, the Board of Regents and  
21 the State Board of Community Colleges may:

22           (a) Perform all things necessary to secure letters of  
23 patent, copyrights, and trademarks on any work products and  
24 enforce their rights with respect thereto.

25           (b) Enter into binding agreements with organizations,  
26 corporations, or government entities to license, lease,  
27 assign, or otherwise give written consent to any person, firm,  
28 corporation, or agency for the use of the single, statewide,  
29 computer-assisted student advising system and collect  
30 royalties or any other consideration that the boards find  
31 proper.

1           (c) Sell or license any such work products and execute  
2 all instruments necessary to consummate the sale or license.

3           (d) The Board of Regents and the State Board of  
4 Community Colleges shall submit to the President of the Senate  
5 and the Speaker of the House of Representatives any agreement  
6 relating to this act. The President and Speaker may review the  
7 terms of the agreement and respond with comments for 30 days  
8 after receipt of an agreement; after that time, the agreement  
9 is binding.

10           (2) All or a portion of the proceeds derived from  
11 activities authorized under this section may be expended for  
12 the costs incurred in developing and maintaining the single,  
13 statewide computer-assisted student advising system.

14           Section 2. This act shall take effect upon becoming a  
15 law.

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17                           STATEMENT OF SUBSTANTIAL CHANGES CONTAINED IN  
18                           COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR  
19                           SB 1874

20           The Committee Substitute authorizes the boards to license the  
21 products, and it delays any agreement by 30 days for review by  
22 Legislative leaders.  
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