

By Senator Atwater

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1   A bill to be entitled  
2           An act relating to state universities;  
3           directing the State Board of Education to  
4           approve an agreement under which Florida  
5           Atlantic University will sublease land for the  
6           construction of a community-university  
7           affiliated teaching hospital; providing a  
8           finding of public purpose; providing for the  
9           President or Chief Executive Officer of the  
10          university to serve on the hospital's board of  
11          directors; authorizing the university to grant  
12          the hospital an option to purchase the land  
13          subject to the sublease; providing a contingent  
14          effective 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)~~ The State Board of Education shall  
19 approve an agreement between Florida Atlantic University and  
20 Boca Raton Community Hospital, Inc., a Florida not-for-profit  
21 corporation, for the sublease of land on the Boca Raton campus  
22 of Florida Atlantic University, including the construction by  
23 the lessee, at the lessee's cost and expense, of a  
24 community-university affiliated teaching hospital and  
25 ancillary facilities, together with all furnishings,  
26 equipment, and other chattels used in the operation of a  
27 hospital. The public-private partnership set forth in the  
28 sublease between the university and the lessee for the  
29 development and construction of a community-university  
30 affiliated teaching hospital, which shall serve as the primary  
31 teaching hospital for a major regional academic medical

1 program located at the Boca Raton campus of Florida Atlantic  
2 University, constitutes a public purpose and meets the medical  
3 needs as well as the academic medical education needs of the  
4 State of Florida. For purposes of this section, "lessee" means  
5 Boca Raton Community Hospital, Inc., a Florida not-for-profit  
6 corporation.

7 (2) For purposes of this section, all materials and  
8 meetings related to the undergraduate medical and graduate  
9 medical education programs of the university shall become  
10 subject to Section 24, Article I of the State Constitution and  
11 ss. 119.07(1) and 286.011, Florida Statutes.

12 (3) Either the President of Florida Atlantic  
13 University or the Chief Executive Officer of Florida Atlantic  
14 University shall serve on the board of directors of the  
15 lessee.

16 (4) The Florida Atlantic University Board of Trustees  
17 may, with the approval of the Board of Trustees of the  
18 Internal Improvement Trust Fund, grant the lessee an option to  
19 purchase the land subject to the sublease. The compensation  
20 paid by the lessee for the fee simple interest in the land and  
21 the leasehold interest shall be payable to the university.

22 Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2007, if  
23 Senate Bill \_\_\_\_\_ or similar legislation granting an exemption  
24 from public-records requirements for records associated with  
25 the lease described in this act and an exemption from  
26 public-meetings requirements for meetings between the lessor  
27 and lessee described in this act is adopted at the same  
28 session of the Legislature, or an extension thereof, and  
29 becomes law.

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SENATE SUMMARY

Directs the State Board of Education to approve a sublease of land at the Boca Raton campus of Florida Atlantic University to Boca Raton Community Hospital for the sublessee to construct a community-university affiliated teaching hospital. The university president or chief executive officer will serve on the hospital board of directors. The university may, with the approval of the Board of Trustees of the Internal Improvement Trust Fund, grant the hospital an option to buy the subleased land.