

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES STAFF ANALYSIS

BILL #: HB 1085 Florida Keys Community College

SPONSOR(S): Raschein

TIED BILLS: None. **IDEN./SIM. BILLS:** None.

REFERENCE	ACTION	ANALYST	STAFF DIRECTOR or BUDGET/POLICY CHIEF
1) Post-Secondary Education Subcommittee	13 Y, 0 N	McAlarney	Bishop
2) Higher Education Appropriations Subcommittee	11 Y, 0 N	Butler	Lloyd
3) Education Committee			

SUMMARY ANALYSIS

This bill changes the name of "Florida Keys Community College" to "College of the Florida Keys". The institution has met all statutory requirements for the name change.

The bill may have nominal costs that can be absorbed by the college.

The bill has an effective date of July 1, 2017.

FULL ANALYSIS

I. SUBSTANTIVE ANALYSIS

A. EFFECT OF PROPOSED CHANGES:

Present Situation

With the approval of its district board of trustees, a Florida College System institution may change the name of the institution as listed in s. 1000.21(3), F.S., and use the designation “college” or “state college” if it has been authorized to grant baccalaureate degrees and has been accredited as a baccalaureate-degree-granting institution by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges (SACSCOC).¹ A district board of trustees that approves the use of the designation “college” or “state college” must seek statutory codification of the name change during the next regular legislative session.²

Florida Keys Community College has met the statutory requirements for a name change.³ The college is accredited by the SACSCOC to award associate degrees⁴ and a Bachelor of Applied Science in Supervision and Management.⁵

On January 6, 2016, Florida’s State Board of Education unanimously approved Florida Keys Community College’s proposal to offer its first baccalaureate degree at their monthly meeting in Tallahassee.⁶ On December 4, 2016, the SACSCOC accredited the college to offer the Bachelor of Applied Science in Supervision and Management effective January 2017.⁷

Effect of Proposed Changes

The bill amends s. 1000.21(3)(h), F.S., changing the name of “Florida Keys Community College” to “College of the Florida Keys”. The college has complied with the statutory requirements for name changes.

B. SECTION DIRECTORY:

Section 1. Amends s. 1000.21(3)(h), F.S., changing the name of Florida Keys Community College to College of the Florida Keys.

Section 2. Provides an effective date of July 1, 2017.

¹ Section 1001.60(2)(b)1., F.S.

² Section 1001.60(2)(c), F.S.

³ Section 1001.60(2)(b)1., F.S.

⁴ <https://www.fkcc.edu/about/statement-of-accreditation/> (last visited 3/21/2017).

⁵ Southern Association of Colleges and Schools, Commission on Colleges, Accreditation Actions Taken by the SACSCOC Board of Trustees, Dec. 4, 2016; p. 2; <http://www.sacscoc.org/2016decActionsanddisclosurestatements/16cract.december.pdf> (last visited 3/21/2017); <https://www.fkcc.edu/academics/bachelors-degree-supervision-management/> (last visited 3/21/2017)

⁶ <http://www.fldoe.org/core/fileparse.php/13170/urlt/agenda.pdf>; Jan. 6, 2016, <https://www.fkcc.edu/2016/01/bachelors-degree-approved-by-state-board/> (last visited 3/21/2017)

⁷ Southern Association of Colleges and Schools, Commission on Colleges, Accreditation Actions Taken by the SACSCOC Board of Trustees, Dec. 4, 2016; p. 2; <http://www.sacscoc.org/2016decActionsanddisclosurestatements/16cract.december.pdf> (last visited 3/21/2017)

II. FISCAL ANALYSIS & ECONOMIC IMPACT STATEMENT

A. FISCAL IMPACT ON STATE GOVERNMENT:

1. Revenues:

None.

2. Expenditures:

None.

B. FISCAL IMPACT ON LOCAL GOVERNMENTS:

1. Revenues:

None.

2. Expenditures:

None.

C. DIRECT ECONOMIC IMPACT ON PRIVATE SECTOR:

None.

D. FISCAL COMMENTS:

The college may incur costs related to the name change. Such costs may be associated with signage, publications, documentation, and other related items. Payment of such costs shall be the responsibility of the college institution.

III. COMMENTS

A. CONSTITUTIONAL ISSUES:

1. Applicability of Municipality/County Mandates Provision:

None.

2. Other:

None.

B. RULE-MAKING AUTHORITY:

None.

C. DRAFTING ISSUES OR OTHER COMMENTS:

None.

IV. AMENDMENTS/ COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE CHANGES

None.