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1                   A bill to be entitled  
2           An act relating to the organization and operation of  
3           state universities; amending s. 1001.706, F.S.;  
4           requiring the Board of Governors to report on the  
5           intellectual freedom and viewpoint diversity at each  
6           state university; requiring each institution to  
7           conduct a certain annual survey of students, faculty,  
8           and administrators; requiring the Office of Inspector  
9           General to annually verify the accuracy of specified  
10          data; requiring the Board of Governors to match  
11          certain student information with specified educational  
12          and employment records; requiring the Board of  
13          Governors to enter into an agreement with the  
14          Department of Economic Opportunity for certain  
15          purposes; providing requirements for such agreement;  
16          amending s. 1001.92, F.S.; revising the state  
17          university system performance-based incentive;  
18          revising the performance-based metrics to include  
19          specific data; authorizing the Board of Governors to  
20          approve other metrics; prohibiting the adjustment of  
21          such metrics once specified data has been received;  
22          requiring the Board of Governors to establish a  
23          minimum performance funding eligibility threshold for  
24          institutional investments, which must exceed a certain  
25          minimum threshold; requiring the use of specified data  
26          in establishing initial scores; providing for the  
27          scoring of universities by the Board of Governors and  
28          the distribution of state investment funds; providing  
29          requirements for state universities that do not meet

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30 specified requirements relating to the performance  
31 funding eligibility thresholds for the state's  
32 investment funding; amending s. 1004.28, F.S.;  
33 providing that state appropriations transferred to  
34 specified entities by state university boards of  
35 trustees may only be used for specified purposes;  
36 amending s. 1004.335, F.S.; clarifying that the  
37 University of South Florida St. Petersburg and the  
38 University of South Florida Sarasota/Manatee are  
39 branch campuses; deleting obsolete language; amending  
40 s. 1004.41, F.S.; requiring the University of Florida  
41 Board of Trustees to approve appointments to specified  
42 boards of directors and certain subsidiaries and  
43 affiliates of Shands Teaching Hospital and Clinics,  
44 Inc.; providing that, as of a specified date, state  
45 appropriations transferred to certain entities by the  
46 University of Florida Board of Trustees may be used  
47 only for specified purposes; amending s. 1007.23,  
48 F.S.; requiring the statewide articulation agreement  
49 to provide for a reverse transfer agreement; providing  
50 for an associate degree to be awarded to certain  
51 students by Florida College System institutions;  
52 providing requirement for state universities; amending  
53 s. 1011.90, F.S.; providing requirements for a certain  
54 legislative budget request; prohibiting certain ratios  
55 relating to student enrollment from growing faster  
56 than a specified rate; providing an effective date.

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

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Section 1. Paragraph (e) of subsection (5) of section 1001.706, Florida Statutes, is amended, and paragraph (j) is added to subsection (3) and paragraph (i) is added to subsection (5) of that section, to read:

1001.706 Powers and duties of the Board of Governors.—

(3) POWERS AND DUTIES RELATING TO ORGANIZATION AND OPERATION OF STATE UNIVERSITIES.—

(j) The Board of Governors shall report, by September 1 of each year, on the intellectual freedom and viewpoint diversity at each institution through an objective, nonpartisan, and statistically valid survey that enables comparison among institutions over time. Each institution shall conduct an annual survey of students, faculty, and administrators which assesses the extent to which competing ideas, perspectives, and claims of truth are presented and members of the university community feel safe and supported in exploring and articulating their beliefs and viewpoints on campus and in the classroom.

(5) POWERS AND DUTIES RELATING TO ACCOUNTABILITY.—

(e) The Board of Governors shall maintain an effective information system to provide accurate, timely, and cost-effective information about each university. The board shall continue to collect and maintain, at a minimum, management information as such information existed on June 30, 2002. The Office of the Inspector General shall annually verify the accuracy of the data used to implement ss. 1001.7065 and 1001.92.

(i) The Board of Governors shall match individual student information with information in the files of state and federal

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88 agencies that maintain educational and employment records. The  
89 board must enter into an agreement with the Department of  
90 Economic Opportunity which allows access to the individual  
91 reemployment assistance wage records maintained by the  
92 department. The agreement must protect individual privacy and  
93 must provide that student information may be used only for the  
94 purposes of auditing or evaluating higher education programs  
95 offered by state universities.

96 Section 2. Section 1001.92, Florida Statutes, is amended to  
97 read:

98 1001.92 State University System Performance-Based  
99 Incentive.—

100 (1) A State University System Performance-Based Incentive  
101 shall be awarded to state universities using performance-based  
102 metrics adopted by the Board of Governors of the State  
103 University System. Beginning with the Board of Governors'  
104 determination of each university's performance improvement and  
105 achievement ratings for 2018, and the related distribution of  
106 the 2018-2019 fiscal year appropriation, the performance-based  
107 metrics must include:

108 (a) 4-year graduation rates;

109 (b) 2-year graduation rates for full-time 2+2 associate  
110 degree transfer students from Florida College System

111 institutions;

112 (c) Retention rates;

113 (d) Postgraduation education rates;

114 (e) Degree production;

115 (f) Affordability;

116 (g) Postgraduation employment and salaries, including wage

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117 thresholds that reflect the added value of a baccalaureate  
118 degree;

119 (h) Six-year graduation rates for students who are eligible  
120 for a Pell Grant as compared with students who are not eligible  
121 for a Pell Grant, with points deducted for decreases in the  
122 enrollment of students who are eligible for a Pell Grant ~~access~~  
123 ~~rate, based on the percentage of undergraduate students enrolled~~  
124 ~~during the fall term who received a Pell Grant during the fall~~  
125 ~~term; and~~

126 (i) The percentage of students graduating without excess  
127 hours.

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129 The Board of Governors may approve other metrics ~~approved by the~~  
130 ~~board~~ in a formally noticed meeting. The board shall adopt  
131 benchmarks to evaluate each state university's performance on  
132 the metrics to measure the state university's achievement of  
133 institutional excellence or need for improvement and minimum  
134 requirements for eligibility to receive performance funding.  
135 Benchmarks and metrics may not be adjusted after university  
136 performance data has been received by the Board of Governors  
137 ~~Access rate benchmarks must be differentiated and scored to~~  
138 ~~reflect the varying access rate levels among the state~~  
139 ~~universities; however, the scoring system may not include bonus~~  
140 ~~points.~~

141 (2) Each fiscal year, the amount of funds available for  
142 allocation to the state universities based on the performance-  
143 based funding model shall consist of the state's investment in  
144 performance funding plus institutional investments consisting of  
145 funds deducted from the base funding of each state university in

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146 the State University System in an amount provided by the  
147 Legislature. The Board of Governors shall establish a minimum  
148 performance funding eligibility threshold for thresholds for the  
149 state's investment and the institutional investments, which must  
150 exceed the minimum institutional investment threshold. The board  
151 shall use data from the 2018-2019 fiscal year to establish  
152 initial scores for each state university. A state university  
153 that meets the minimum institutional investment eligibility  
154 threshold, ~~but fails to meet the minimum state investment~~  
155 ~~eligibility threshold,~~ shall have its institutional investment  
156 restored ~~but is ineligible for a share of the state's investment~~  
157 ~~in performance funding. The institutional investment shall be~~  
158 ~~restored for each institution eligible for the state's~~  
159 ~~investment under the performance-based funding model.~~

160 (3) (a) A state university that fails to meet the Board of  
161 Governors' minimum institutional investment performance funding  
162 eligibility threshold shall have its institutional investment  
163 withheld by the board and must submit an improvement plan to the  
164 board that specifies the activities and strategies for improving  
165 the state university's performance. The board must review and  
166 approve the improvement plan and, if the plan is approved, must  
167 monitor the state university's progress in implementing the  
168 activities and strategies specified in the improvement plan. The  
169 state university shall submit monitoring reports to the board by  
170 December 31 and May 31 of each year in which an improvement plan  
171 is in place. The ability of a state university to submit an  
172 improvement plan to the board is limited to 1 fiscal year.

173 (b) The Chancellor of the State University System shall  
174 withhold disbursement of the institutional investment until the

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175 monitoring report is approved by the Board of Governors. A state  
176 university determined by the board to be making satisfactory  
177 progress on implementing the improvement plan shall receive no  
178 more than one-half of the withheld institutional investment in  
179 January and the balance of the withheld institutional investment  
180 in June. A state university that fails to make satisfactory  
181 progress may not have its full institutional investment  
182 restored. Any institutional investment funds that are not  
183 restored shall be redistributed in accordance with the board's  
184 performance-based metrics.

185 (4) (a) The Board of Governors shall assign each state  
186 university a score on a 100-point scale. Pursuant to subsection  
187 (2), a state university's initial scores must be established  
188 using data from the 2018-2019 fiscal year. The state  
189 universities with the three highest scores are eligible to  
190 receive a proportionate amount of the state's investment. In the  
191 event of a tie for the three highest scores, the tie shall go to  
192 the benefit of the state universities.

193 (b) Each state university with a score that is equal to or  
194 higher than its score for the previous year is eligible for its  
195 proportional amount of the state's investment.

196 (c) Each state university with a score that is lower than  
197 in the immediately previous year, but whose score in that year  
198 was equal to or higher than its score for the prior year, is  
199 eligible for its proportional amount of the state's investment.

200 (d) Each state university with a score that is equal to or  
201 lower than its previous year's score for 2 consecutive years  
202 shall have its proportional amount of the state's investment  
203 withheld and must submit a student success plan to the board for

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204 consideration at its August or September meeting. The board  
205 shall review and approve the student success plan and, if the  
206 student success plan is approved, must monitor the state  
207 university's progress in implementing the plan. The student  
208 success plan must specify the activities and strategies the  
209 state university will use for improving its performance metrics.

210 1. If the board approves the student success plan, the  
211 Chancellor of the State University System must disburse up to  
212 one-half of the state's investment at the time of approval.

213 2. The student success plan monitoring report must be  
214 submitted to the board on a date specified by the Chancellor and  
215 considered at the board's March meeting. The Chancellor shall  
216 withhold the remaining disbursement of the state's investment  
217 until the student success plan monitoring report for the state  
218 university is approved by the board. If it is determined that  
219 the state university is making satisfactory progress on  
220 implementing the plan, the board must approve the monitoring  
221 report and the state university must receive up to the balance  
222 of the state's investment.

223 3. Any state university that fails to make satisfactory  
224 progress may not have its full state investment restored, and  
225 any state investment funds remaining must be distributed to the  
226 top three scoring state universities, including any state  
227 universities that have tied.

228 (e) Beginning with the 2021-2022 fiscal year, any state  
229 university with a score lower than 70 points shall have its  
230 proportional amount of the state's investment withheld and the  
231 state university shall submit a student success plan to the  
232 board for consideration at its August or September meeting. The



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233 board shall review and approve the student success plan and, if  
234 the student success plan is approved, must monitor the state  
235 university's progress in implementing the plan. The student  
236 success plan must specify the activities and strategies that the  
237 state university will use for improving its performance metrics.  
238 A state university whose proportional amount of the state's  
239 investment is withheld pursuant to this paragraph may only have  
240 50 percent of its share of the state investment restored.

241 1. If the board approves the student success plan, the  
242 Chancellor shall disburse up to 25 percent of the state's  
243 investment at the time of approval.

244 2. The student success plan monitoring report must be  
245 submitted to the board on a date specified by the Chancellor and  
246 considered at the board's March meeting. The Chancellor shall  
247 withhold the remaining disbursement of the state's investment  
248 until the student success plan monitoring report for the state  
249 university is approved by the board. If it is determined that  
250 the state university is making satisfactory progress on  
251 implementing the plan, the board must approve the monitoring  
252 report and the state university shall receive up to 25 percent  
253 of its proportional amount of the state's investment.

254 3. Any state university that fails to make satisfactory  
255 progress may not have its 50 percent of the state's investment  
256 restored, and any state investment funds remaining must be  
257 distributed to the top three scoring state universities,  
258 including any state universities that have tied.

259 4. The remaining 50 percent of each state university's  
260 proportional share of the state's investment must be distributed  
261 to the top three scoring state universities, including state

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262 universities that have tied.

263 (5) Distributions of performance funding, as provided in  
264 this section, shall be made by the Legislature to each of the  
265 state universities.

266 (6)~~(5)~~ By October 1 of each year, the Board of Governors  
267 shall submit to the Governor, the President of the Senate, and  
268 the Speaker of the House of Representatives a report on the  
269 previous fiscal year's performance funding allocation which must  
270 reflect the rankings and award distributions.

271 (7)~~(6)~~ The Board of Governors shall adopt regulations to  
272 administer this section.

273 Section 3. Paragraph (b) of subsection (2) of section  
274 1004.28, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

275 1004.28 Direct-support organizations; use of property;  
276 board of directors; activities; audit; facilities.—

277 (2) USE OF PROPERTY.—

278 (b) The board of trustees, in accordance with regulations  
279 and guidelines of the Board of Governors, shall prescribe by  
280 regulation conditions with which a university direct-support  
281 organization must comply in order to use property, facilities,  
282 or personal services at any state university, including that  
283 personal services must comply with s. 1012.976. Such regulations  
284 shall provide for budget and audit review and oversight by the  
285 board of trustees, including thresholds for approval of  
286 purchases, acquisitions, projects, and issuance of debt.

287 Beginning ~~No later than~~ July 1, 2019, the transfer of a state  
288 appropriation by the board of trustees to any direct-support  
289 organization and its not-for-profit subsidiaries and affiliates  
290 may ~~only~~ include only funds pledged for capital projects.

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291 ~~Beginning July 1, 2019, and annually thereafter,~~ Each university  
292 board of trustees shall report annually to the Legislature the  
293 amount of state appropriations transferred to any direct-support  
294 organization during the previous fiscal year, the purpose for  
295 which the funds were transferred, and the remaining balance of  
296 any funds transferred.

297 Section 4. Subsections (1), (4), and (5) and paragraph (a)  
298 of subsection (6) of section 1004.335, Florida Statutes, are  
299 amended to read:

300 1004.335 Accreditation consolidation of University of South  
301 Florida branch campuses.—

302 (1) The University of South Florida Consolidation Planning  
303 Study and Implementation Task Force is established to develop  
304 recommendations to improve service to students by phasing out  
305 the separate accreditation of the University of South Florida  
306 St. Petersburg branch campus and the University of South Florida  
307 Sarasota/Manatee branch campus, which were conferred by the  
308 Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on  
309 Colleges (SACSCOC) pursuant to ss. 1004.33 and 1004.34,  
310 respectively.

311 (4) ~~No later than February 15, 2019,~~ The task force must  
312 submit a report to the University of South Florida Board of  
313 Trustees which includes, at a minimum, recommendations on the  
314 following:

315 (a) Identification of specific degrees in programs of  
316 strategic significance, including health care, science,  
317 technology, engineering, mathematics, and other program  
318 priorities to be offered at the University of South Florida St.  
319 Petersburg branch campus and the University of South Florida

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320 Sarasota/Manatee branch campus and the timeline for the  
321 development and delivery of programs on each campus;

322 (b) Maintaining the unique identity of each campus and an  
323 assessment of whether a separate educational mission is  
324 beneficial to the future of each campus;

325 (c) Maintaining faculty input from all campuses during the  
326 review and development of general education requirements to  
327 reflect the distinctive identity of each campus;

328 (d) Developing the research capacity at each campus;

329 (e) Equitable distribution of programs and resources to  
330 establish pathways to admission for all students who require  
331 bridge programming and financial aid;

332 (f) Establishing budget transparency and accountability  
333 regarding the review and approval of student fees among  
334 campuses, including fee differentials and athletic fees, to  
335 enable the identification of the equitable distribution of  
336 resources to each campus, including the University of South  
337 Florida Health; and

338 (g) Developing and delivering integrated academic programs,  
339 student and faculty governance, and administrative services to  
340 better serve the students, faculty, and staff at the University  
341 of South Florida College of Marine Science, the University of  
342 South Florida Sarasota/Manatee branch campus, and the University  
343 of South Florida St. Petersburg branch campus.

344 (5) ~~No later than March 15, 2019,~~ The Board of Trustees of  
345 the University of South Florida, after considering the  
346 recommendations of the task force, must adopt and submit to the  
347 Board of Governors an implementation plan that:

348 (a) Establishes a timeline for each step that is necessary

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349 to terminate the separate accreditation for each campus no later  
350 than June 30, 2020, while maintaining branch campus status for  
351 both campuses, so that there is no lapse in institutional  
352 accreditation for any campus during the phasing-out process.

353 (b) Minimizes disruption to students attending the any  
354 University of South Florida or any of its branch campuses ~~campus~~  
355 so that the consolidation of SACSCOC accreditation does not  
356 impede a student's ability to graduate within 4 years after  
357 initial first-time-in-college enrollment.

358 (c) Requires that, on or before July 1, 2020, the entirety  
359 of the University of South Florida, including all branch  
360 campuses and other component units of the university, operate  
361 under a single institutional accreditation from the SACSCOC.

362 (d) Requires that, on each regularly scheduled submission  
363 date subsequent to July 1, 2020, the University of South Florida  
364 report consolidated data for all of the university's campuses  
365 and students to the Integrated Postsecondary Education Data  
366 System and to the Board of Governors. The Board of Governors  
367 shall use the consolidated data for purposes of determining  
368 eligibility for funding pursuant to ss. 1001.7065 and 1001.92.

369 (6) Notwithstanding ss. 1001.7065 and 1001.92 or any Board  
370 of Governors regulation to the contrary relating to the  
371 calculation of graduation rates and retention rates, a student  
372 who meets all of the following criteria may not be counted by  
373 the Board of Governors when calculating or confirming the  
374 graduation rate or the retention rate of the University of South  
375 Florida under those sections:

376 (a) The student was admitted to and initially enrolled  
377 before the spring 2020 semester as a first-time-in-college

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378 student at the University of South Florida St. Petersburg branch  
379 campus or the University of South Florida Sarasota/Manatee  
380 branch campus.

381 Section 5. Paragraph (b) of subsection (4) and paragraph  
382 (b) of subsection (5) of section 1004.41, Florida Statutes, are  
383 amended, and paragraph (g) is added to subsection (4) and  
384 paragraph (f) is added to subsection (5) of that section, to  
385 read:

386 1004.41 University of Florida; J. Hillis Miller Health  
387 Center.—

388 (4)

389 (b) The University of Florida Board of Trustees shall  
390 provide in the lease or by separate contract or agreement with  
391 Shands Teaching Hospital and Clinics, Inc., for the following:

392 1. Approval of the articles of incorporation of Shands  
393 Teaching Hospital and Clinics, Inc., by the University of  
394 Florida Board of Trustees.

395 2. Governance of Shands Teaching Hospital and Clinics,  
396 Inc., by a board of directors appointed, subject to removal, and  
397 chaired by the President of the University of Florida, or his or  
398 her designee, and vice chaired by the Vice President for Health  
399 Affairs of the University of Florida or his or her designee. The  
400 University of Florida Board of Trustees must approve all  
401 appointments to the board, its not-for-profit subsidiaries, and  
402 its affiliates.

403 3. Use of hospital facilities and personnel in support of  
404 community service and patient care, research programs, and the  
405 teaching roles of the health center.

406 4. Continued recognition of the collective bargaining units

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407 and collective bargaining agreements as currently composed and  
408 recognition of the certified labor organizations representing  
409 those units and agreements.

410 5. Use of hospital facilities and personnel in connection  
411 with research programs conducted by the health center.

412 6. Reimbursement to Shands Teaching Hospital and Clinics,  
413 Inc., for indigent patients, state-mandated programs,  
414 underfunded state programs, and costs to Shands Teaching  
415 Hospital and Clinics, Inc., for support of the teaching and  
416 research programs of the health center. Such reimbursement shall  
417 be appropriated to either the health center or Shands Teaching  
418 Hospital and Clinics, Inc., each year by the Legislature after  
419 review and approval of the request for funds.

420 7. Audit of the financial statements of Shands Teaching  
421 Hospital and Clinics, Inc., in accordance with generally  
422 accepted accounting principles as prescribed by the Governmental  
423 Accounting Standards Board for a separate corporation affiliated  
424 with a government entity that holds a voting majority interest  
425 of the affiliated corporation's governing board. The financial  
426 statements shall be provided to the University of Florida Board  
427 of Trustees for attachment to its audited financial statement  
428 which is provided to the Auditor General. The University of  
429 Florida may obtain additional financial information from Shands  
430 Teaching Hospital and Clinics, Inc., upon request by the Auditor  
431 General. This subparagraph applies equally to any not-for-profit  
432 subsidiary of Shands Teaching Hospital and Clinics, Inc., which  
433 directly delivers health care services and also qualifies as an  
434 instrumentality of the state under the governance control and  
435 the primary purpose standards specified in this section.

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436       (g) Beginning July 1, 2019, the transfer of state  
437 appropriations by the University of Florida Board of Trustees to  
438 Shands Teaching Hospital and Clinic, Inc., and its not-for-  
439 profit subsidiaries and affiliates may include only funds  
440 pledged for capital projects.

441       (5)

442       (b) The University of Florida Board of Trustees shall  
443 provide in the lease or by separate contract or agreement with  
444 Shands Jacksonville Medical Center, Inc., and Shands  
445 Jacksonville HealthCare, Inc., for the following:

446       1. Approval of the articles of incorporation of Shands  
447 Jacksonville Medical Center, Inc., and of Shands Jacksonville  
448 HealthCare, Inc., by the University of Florida Board of  
449 Trustees, which may act through the president of the university  
450 or his or her designee. In approving the articles of  
451 incorporation of Shands Jacksonville Medical Center, Inc., and  
452 of Shands Jacksonville HealthCare, Inc., the president of the  
453 university, or his or her designee, may act as the chair of the  
454 board of directors, or the president of the university or his or  
455 her designee or members of the University of Florida Board of  
456 Trustees may act as the approving body of Shands Jacksonville  
457 Medical Center, Inc., or Shands Jacksonville HealthCare, Inc.

458       2. Governance of Shands Jacksonville Medical Center, Inc.,  
459 and of Shands Jacksonville HealthCare, Inc., by boards of  
460 directors appointed, subject to removal, and chaired by the  
461 President of the University of Florida, or his or her designee.  
462 One director of each board may be so appointed after being  
463 nominated by the mayor of the City of Jacksonville subject to  
464 the applicable standards for directors of such board. If there



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465 is a vice chair of the board of directors of Shands Jacksonville  
466 Medical Center, Inc., or Shands Jacksonville HealthCare, Inc.,  
467 the Vice President for Health Affairs of the University of  
468 Florida, or his or her designee or the designee of the president  
469 of the university, shall hold that position. The University of  
470 Florida Board of Trustees must approve all appointments to the  
471 board, its not-for-profit subsidiaries, and its affiliates.

472 3. Use of the Shands Jacksonville Medical Center, Inc.,  
473 hospital facilities and personnel in support of community  
474 service and patient care, research programs, and the teaching  
475 roles of the health center of the University of Florida Board of  
476 Trustees.

477 4. Reimbursement to Shands Jacksonville Medical Center,  
478 Inc., for indigent patients, state-mandated programs,  
479 underfunded state programs, and costs to the not-for-profit  
480 corporation for support of the teaching and research programs of  
481 the health center. Such reimbursement shall be appropriated to  
482 either the health center or the not-for-profit corporation each  
483 year by the Legislature after review and approval of the request  
484 for funds.

485 5. Audit of the financial statements of Shands Jacksonville  
486 Medical Center, Inc., and Shands Jacksonville HealthCare, Inc.,  
487 in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles as  
488 prescribed by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board for a  
489 separate corporation affiliated with a government entity that  
490 holds a voting majority interest of the affiliated corporation's  
491 governing board. The financial statements shall be provided to  
492 the University of Florida Board of Trustees for attachment to  
493 its audited financial statement which is provided to the Auditor

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494 General. The University of Florida may obtain additional  
495 financial information from Shands Jacksonville Medical Center,  
496 Inc., and Shands Jacksonville HealthCare, Inc., upon request by  
497 the Auditor General. This subparagraph applies equally to any  
498 not-for-profit subsidiary which directly delivers health care  
499 services and also qualifies as an instrumentality of the state  
500 under the governance control and primary purpose standards  
501 specified in this section.

502 (f) Beginning July 1, 2019, the transfer of state  
503 appropriations by the University of Florida Board of Trustees to  
504 Shands Jacksonville Medical Center, Inc., Shands Jacksonville  
505 HealthCare, Inc., and any of their not-for-profit subsidiaries  
506 and affiliates may include only funds pledged for capital  
507 projects.

508 Section 6. Subsection (7) is added to section 1007.23,  
509 Florida Statutes, to read:

510 1007.23 Statewide articulation agreement.—

511 (7) The articulation agreement must specifically provide  
512 for a reverse transfer agreement for Florida College System  
513 associate in arts degree-seeking students who transfer to a  
514 state university before earning an associate in arts degree.  
515 Students must be awarded an associate in arts degree by the  
516 Florida College System institution upon completion of degree  
517 requirements at the state university if the student earned a  
518 majority of the credit hours from the Florida College System  
519 institution. State universities shall identify students who have  
520 completed requirements for the associate in arts degree and  
521 transfer credits earned at the state university back to the  
522 Florida College System institution so that the associate in arts

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523 degree may be awarded by the Florida College System institution.

524 Section 7. Subsection (4) of section 1011.90, Florida  
525 Statutes, is amended to read:

526 1011.90 State university funding.—

527 (4) The Board of Governors shall establish and validate a  
528 cost-estimating system consistent with the requirements of  
529 subsection (1) and shall report as part of its legislative  
530 budget request the actual expenditures for the fiscal year  
531 ending the previous June 30. The legislative budget request must  
532 also include 5-year trend information on the ratios of student  
533 enrollment to faculty and administrators at each university. The  
534 ratio of students to administrators at any state university may  
535 not grow at a greater rate than the ratio of students to  
536 faculty. Expenditure analysis, operating budgets, and annual  
537 financial statements of each university must be prepared using  
538 the standard financial reporting procedures and formats  
539 prescribed by the Board of Governors. These formats shall be the  
540 same as used for the 2000-2001 fiscal year reports. Any  
541 revisions to these financial and reporting procedures and  
542 formats must be approved by the Executive Office of the Governor  
543 and the appropriations committees of the Legislature jointly  
544 ~~under the provisions of s. 216.023(3).~~ The Board of Governors  
545 shall continue to collect and maintain at a minimum management  
546 information existing on June 30, 2002. The expenditure analysis  
547 report shall include total expenditures from all sources for the  
548 general operation of the university and shall be in such detail  
549 as needed to support the legislative budget request.

550 Section 8. This act shall take effect July 1, 2019.