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The Florida Senate
COMMITTEE MEETING EXPANDED AGENDA
APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE ON HIGHER EDUCATION
Senator Harrell, Chair
Senator Bradley, Vice Chair

MEETING DATE: Wednesday, February 4, 2026
TIME: 3:45—6:00 p.m.
PLACE: Toni Jennings Committee Room, 110 Senate Building

MEMBERS: Senator Harrell, Chair; Senator Bradley, Vice Chair; Senators Bracy Davis, Burgess, Calatayud, Davis, and Leek

TAB	BILL NO. and INTRODUCER	BILL DESCRIPTION and SENATE COMMITTEE ACTIONS	COMMITTEE ACTION
1	Review and Discussion of Fiscal Year 2026-2027 Budget Issues Relating to: Department of Education Board of Governors		Not Considered
2	SB 720 Osgood	Resident Status for Tuition Purposes; Providing that a person may not lose his or her resident status for tuition purposes due to incarceration, etc. HE 01/13/2026 Favorable AHE 02/04/2026 Temporarily Postponed RC	Temporarily Postponed
3	SB 1246 Davis (Similar CS/H 1325)	Health Science Workforce Shortages; Revising legislative intent to address workforce needs in health science education programs, in addition to nursing education programs; revising the definition of the term "student"; authorizing the Linking Industry to Nursing Education Fund to be used to match certain contributions, etc. HE 01/21/2026 Favorable AHE 02/04/2026 Fav/CS FP	Fav/CS Yeas 7 Nays 0
TAB	OFFICE and APPOINTMENT (HOME CITY)	FOR TERM ENDING	COMMITTEE ACTION

Senate Confirmation Hearing: A public hearing will be held for consideration of the below-named executive appointment to the office indicated.

Board of Trustees of Chipola College

4	Campbell, Christopher (Bristol)	05/31/2027	Recommend Confirm Yeas 6 Nays 0
5	Shuler, Joseph (Hosford)	05/31/2029	Recommend Confirm Yeas 6 Nays 0
6	Ryals, Daniel E. III (Altha)	05/31/2029	Recommend Confirm Yeas 6 Nays 0
7	Reiff, Robert A. (Marianna)	05/31/2027	Recommend Confirm Yeas 6 Nays 0
8	Paul, Joel F., Jr. (Ponce De Leon)	05/31/2027	Recommend Confirm Yeas 6 Nays 0

COMMITTEE MEETING EXPANDED AGENDA

Appropriations Committee on Higher Education
Wednesday, February 4, 2026, 3:45—6:00 p.m.

TAB	OFFICE and APPOINTMENT (HOME CITY)	FOR TERM ENDING	COMMITTEE ACTION
Board of Trustees of Palm Beach State College			
9	Epstein, Daniel (Boca Raton)	05/31/2029	Recommend Confirm Yeas 6 Nays 0
10	Plean, Stacy L. (Boynton Beach)	05/31/2026	Recommend Confirm Yeas 6 Nays 0
Board of Trustees of Pasco-Hernando State College			
11	Pearson-Adams, Marilyn (Brooksville)	05/31/2029	Recommend Confirm Yeas 6 Nays 0
12	Zetzsche, Toni ()	05/31/2029	Recommend Confirm Yeas 6 Nays 0
Board of Trustees of Pensacola State College			
13	Tippett, Troy (Pensacola)	05/31/2026	Recommend Confirm Yeas 6 Nays 0
Board of Trustees of St. Petersburg College			
14	Franz, Richard B. III (Clearwater)	05/31/2026	Recommend Confirm Yeas 6 Nays 0
Board of Trustees of Tallahassee State College			
15	Moore, Karen B. (Tallahassee)	05/31/2026	Recommend Confirm Yeas 6 Nays 0
Other Related Meeting Documents			

*Materials for this item
to be presented at the
time of the meeting.*

The Florida Senate
BILL ANALYSIS AND FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

(This document is based on the provisions contained in the legislation as of the latest date listed below.)

Prepared By: The Professional Staff of the Appropriations Committee on Higher Education

BILL: SB 720

INTRODUCER: Senator Osgood

SUBJECT: Resident Status for Tuition Purposes

DATE: February 3, 2026

REVISED: _____

	ANALYST	STAFF DIRECTOR	REFERENCE	ACTION
1.	Bouck	Bouck	HE	Favorable
2.	Gray	Elwell	AHE	Pre-meeting
3.			RC	

I. Summary:

SB 720 provides that an individual may not lose his or her resident status for tuition purposes due to incarceration in a state or federal correctional facility in this state.

This bill does not have appear to have a fiscal impact. **See Section V., Fiscal Impact Statement.**

The bill is effective July 1, 2026.

II. Present Situation:

Residency Status for Tuition Purposes

Students must be classified as residents or nonresidents for the purpose of assessing tuition in postsecondary educational programs offered by charter technical career centers, career centers operated by school districts, Florida College System (FCS) institutions, and state universities. Students pay differing tuition rates based on their status as a resident or nonresident of Florida.¹ A “resident for tuition purposes” means an admitted or currently enrolled student who meets the residency requirements in statute and rule or regulation, and is therefore eligible to pay the resident tuition and fee rate.²

Specifically, to qualify as a resident for tuition purposes:

- A person, or if that person is a dependent child, his or her parent or parents must have established legal residence in Florida and must have maintained legal residence for at least 12 consecutive months immediately prior to his or her initial enrollment in an institution of higher education.

¹ Section 1009.21, F.S.

² Rule 6A-10.044, F.A.C. and Board of Governors Regulation 7.005.

- Every applicant for admission to an institution of higher education must make a statement as to his or her length of residence and establish that his or her presence or, if the applicant is a dependent child, the presence of his or her parent or parents in Florida currently is, and during the requisite 12-month qualifying period was, for the purpose of maintaining a bona fide domicile.³

A person must show certain proof that he or she should be classified as a resident for tuition purposes and may not receive the in-state tuition rate until clear and convincing evidence related to legal residence and its duration has been provided. Each institution of higher education must make a residency determination that is documented by the submission of written or electronic verification that includes two or more specified documents that:

- Must include at least one of the following (“Tier 1”):
 - A Florida voter’s registration card.
 - A Florida driver license.
 - A State of Florida identification card.
 - A Florida vehicle registration.
 - Proof of a permanent home in Florida which is occupied as a primary residence by the individual or by the individual’s parent if the individual is a dependent child.
 - Proof of a homestead exemption in Florida.
 - Transcripts from a Florida high school for multiple years if the Florida high school diploma or high school equivalency diploma was earned within the last 12 months.
 - Proof of permanent full-time employment in Florida for at least 30 hours per week for a 12-month period.
- May include one or more of the following (“Tier 2”):
 - A declaration of domicile in Florida.
 - A Florida professional or occupational license.
 - Florida incorporation.
 - A document evidencing family ties in Florida.
 - Proof of membership in a Florida-based charitable or professional organization.
 - Any other documentation that supports the student’s request for resident status, including, but not limited to, utility bills and proof of 12 consecutive months of payments; a lease agreement and proof of 12 consecutive months of payments; or an official state, federal, or court document evidencing legal ties to Florida.⁴

Florida Residency for Incarcerated Individuals

Each FCS institution and state university must develop regulations, policies, and procedures for determining each admitted student’s Florida residency status for tuition purposes.⁵ Therefore, each institution of higher education must establish policies regarding incarcerated individuals. For example, Tallahassee State College and St. Petersburg College both require an incarcerated individual to provide documentation that he or she lived in Florida for 12 months before incarceration and requires Tier 1 and Tier 2 documentation to prove his or her physical presence

³ Section 1009.21(2), F.S.

⁴ Section 1009.21(3), F.S.

⁵ Rule 6A-10.044(3), F.A.C. and Board of Governors Regulation 7.005(5).

in Florida for 12 months before being incarcerated. If the individual has been released for a year or longer, he or she must provide documentation for the most recent 12 months.⁶

Tuition and Out-of-State Fees

Florida law defines “tuition” as the basic fee charged to a student for instruction provided by a public postsecondary educational institution in the state. A student who is classified as a “resident for tuition purposes” qualifies for the in-state tuition rate. An “out-of-state fee” is the additional fee for instruction provided by a public postsecondary education institution in the state, and is charged to a student who does not qualify for the in-state tuition rate.⁷

Residents for tuition purposes are charged in-state rates for tuition while non-residents pay out-of-state fees in addition to tuition, unless these costs are exempted or waived.⁸ The resident undergraduate tuition rate for the State University System (SUS) is currently set in statute at \$105.07 per credit hour.⁹ The SUS average cost of resident and nonresident tuition and fees per credit hour is shown below:¹⁰

State University System Tuition & Fees				
Undergraduate Baccalaureate	Standard Tuition (Per Credit Hour)	Average Tuition & Fees (Per Credit Hour)	Standard Tuition (Per 30 Credit Hours)	Average Tuition & Fees (Per 30 Credit Hours)
Resident	\$105.07	\$200.08	\$3,152.10	\$6,002.41
Non-Resident	\$105.07	\$690.99	\$3,152.10	\$20,729.69
Difference	-	\$490.91	-	\$14,727.28

Within the FCS, for college credit courses in advanced and professional, postsecondary vocational, developmental education, and educator preparation institute programs, the standard tuition is \$71.98 per credit hour for residents and nonresidents, and the out-of-state fee is \$215.94 per credit hour. Baccalaureate degree program tuition is \$91.79 per credit hour for students who are residents for tuition purposes. The sum of the tuition and the out-of-state fee per credit hour for students who are nonresidents for tuition purposes can be no more than 85 percent of the sum of the tuition and the out-of-state fee at the state university nearest the FCS institution.¹¹

III. Effect of Proposed Changes:

This bill modifies s. 1009.21, F.S., by providing that an individual who has met the requirements to be classified as a resident for tuition purposes may not lose his or her resident status for tuition purposes solely because of incarceration in a state or federal correctional facility in Florida.

⁶ Tallahassee Community College, Residency FAQs, <https://www.tsc.fl.edu/media/divisions/admissions-and-recruiting/forms/Residency-FAQs.pdf> and St. Petersburg College, Residency FAQs, <https://www.spcollege.edu/future-students/admissions/residency/residency-faqs> (last visited Jan. 26, 2026).

⁷ Section. 1009.01, F.S.

⁸ Section. 1009.24(2), F.S.

⁹ Section. 1009.24(4)(a), F.S.

¹⁰ Florida Board of Governors, State University System of Florida, *Tuition and Required Fees, 2025-2026*, available at <https://www.flbog.edu/wp-content/uploads/2025/07/2025-2026-SUS-Tuition-and-Fees-Report.pdf> (last visited Jan. 26, 2026).

¹¹ Section 1009.23(3), F.S.

The bill is effective July 1, 2026.

IV. Constitutional Issues:

A. Municipality/County Mandates Restrictions:

None.

B. Public Records/Open Meetings Issues:

None.

C. Trust Funds Restrictions:

None.

D. State Tax or Fee Increases:

None.

E. Other Constitutional Issues:

None.

V. Fiscal Impact Statement:

A. Tax/Fee Issues:

None.

B. Private Sector Impact:

None.

C. Government Sector Impact:

This bill does not appear to have a fiscal impact on state revenues or expenditures. However, the bill would pose a fiscal impact to the institution if an institution of higher education's policies regarding incarcerated individuals does not currently allow such individuals to submit proof to qualify for the in-state tuition rate.

VI. Technical Deficiencies:

None.

VII. Related Issues:

None.

VIII. Statutes Affected:

This bill substantially amends section 1009.21 of the Florida Statutes.

IX. Additional Information:

A. Committee Substitute – Statement of Changes:

(Summarizing differences between the Committee Substitute and the prior version of the bill.)

None.

B. Amendments:

None.

This Senate Bill Analysis does not reflect the intent or official position of the bill's introducer or the Florida Senate.

By Senator Osgood

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1 A bill to be entitled
2 An act relating to resident status for tuition
3 purposes; amending s. 1009.21, F.S.; providing that a
4 person may not lose his or her resident status for
5 tuition purposes due to incarceration; providing an
6 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. Present subsections (4) through (13) of section
11 1009.21, Florida Statutes, are redesignated as subsections (5)
12 through (14), respectively, and a new subsection (4) is added to
13 that section, to read:

14 1009.21 Determination of resident status for tuition
15 purposes.—Students shall be classified as residents or
16 nonresidents for the purpose of assessing tuition in
17 postsecondary educational programs offered by charter technical
18 career centers or career centers operated by school districts,
19 in Florida College System institutions, and in state
20 universities.

21 (4) An individual may not lose his or her resident status
22 for tuition purposes solely by reason of incarceration in a
23 state or federal correctional facility in this state.

24 Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2026.

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GENERAL BILL by Osgood;

Resident Status for Tuition Purposes. EFFECTIVE DATE: 07/01/2026.

01/13/26 S Introduced

01/14/26 S Now in Appropriations Committee on Higher Education

01/30/26 S On Committee agenda-- Appropriations Committee on Higher Education, 02/04/26, 3:45 pm, 110 Senate Building --Temporarily Postponed

The Florida Senate
BILL ANALYSIS AND FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

(This document is based on the provisions contained in the legislation as of the latest date listed below.)

Prepared By: The Professional Staff of the Appropriations Committee on Higher Education

BILL: CS/SB 1246

INTRODUCER: Appropriations Committee on Higher Education and Senator Davis

SUBJECT: Health Science Workforce Shortages

DATE: February 4, 2026

REVISED: _____

	ANALYST	STAFF DIRECTOR	REFERENCE	ACTION
1.	Jahnke	Bouck	HE	Favorable
2.	Gray	Elwell	AHE	Fav/CS
3.			FP	

Please see Section IX. for Additional Information:

COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE - Substantial Changes

I. Summary:

CS/SB 1246 expands the scope of the Linking Industry to Nursing Education (LINE) Fund to address workforce shortages in health science education programs, in addition to nursing education programs. The bill revises eligibility, matching contribution authority, allowable uses of funds, grant evaluation criteria, and reporting requirements to support the expansion of health science education programs aligned with the State Board of Education's Career and Technical Education Health Science curriculum framework.

Additionally, the bill establishes a standardized process for identifying health science programs eligible for participation in the LINE Fund by designating the Department of Education as the lead entity, limiting eligibility to Career and Technical Education-aligned programs, and using workforce demand data to inform funding priorities.

This bill does not have a fiscal impact on state revenues and expenditures. **See Section V., Fiscal Impact Statement.**

The bill takes effect July 1, 2026.

II. Present Situation:

Linking Industry to Nursing Education Fund

The Linking Industry to Nursing Education (LINE) Fund was established in 2022¹ as a competitive grant opportunity, and provides matching funds on a dollar-for-dollar basis to participating institutions that partner with health care providers² incentivizing collaboration to meet local, regional, and statewide demand for nurses.³

For purposes of the LINE Fund, a “student” is a resident for tuition purposes⁴ who is enrolled in a nursing education program at an institution.⁵

The LINE Funds are available to:

- District career centers;⁶
- Charter technical career centers;⁷
- Florida College System (FCS) institutions;
- State Universities;
- Independent nonprofit colleges or universities located and chartered in the state accredited by a United States Department of Education recognized accrediting agency or association to grant baccalaureate degrees; and
- Independent school, college, or university with an accredited program as defined in s. 464.003 which is located in this state and licensed by the Commission for Independent Education pursuant to s. 1005.31, which has a nursing education program that meets or exceeds the following:
 - For a certified nursing assistant program, a completion rate of at least 70 percent for the prior year.
 - For a licensed practical nurse, associate of science in nursing, and bachelor of science in nursing program, a first-time passage rate on the National Council of State Boards of Nursing Licensing Examination of at least 75 percent for the prior year based on a minimum of 10 testing participants.⁸

The funds are to be administered by the Board of Governors (BOG) for state universities and by the Florida Department of Education (DOE) for all other institutions.⁹ The funds may be used for student scholarships, recruitment of additional faculty, equipment, and simulation centers to advance high-quality nursing education programs throughout the state. Funds may not be used for the construction of new buildings.¹⁰

¹ Chapter 2022-154, s. 50, Laws of Fla.

² Sections 1009.8962 and 768.38, F.S.

³ Florida Board of Governors, *All Universities with Nursing Programs Receive LINE Funding*, available at <https://www.flbog.edu/2024/10/31/all-universities-with-nursing-programs-receive-line-funding/> (last visited Jan. 26, 2026).

⁴ Section 1009.21, F.S.

⁵ Section 1009.8962(3)(c), F.S.

⁶ Section 1001.44, F.S.

⁷ Section 1002.34, F.S.

⁸ Section 1009.8962(3), F.S.

⁹ Section 1009.8962(4), F.S.

¹⁰ Section 1009.8962(6), F.S.

Each institution must submit a proposal to the BOG or DOE. The proposal must identify the health care partner located and licensed in the state. The BOG or DOE must review and evaluate each proposal according to the following minimum criteria:

- Whether funds committed by the health care partner will contribute to an eligible purpose.
- How the institution plans to use the funds, including how such funds will be utilized to increase student enrollment and program completion.
- How the health care partner will onboard and retain graduates.
- How the funds will expand the institution's nursing education programs to meet local, regional, or state workforce demands. If applicable, it should include advanced education nursing programs and how the funds will increase the number of faculty and clinical preceptors and planned efforts to utilize the clinical placement process.¹¹

For the 2025-2026 fiscal year, \$24,000,000 was provided to school district postsecondary technical career centers, charter technical career centers, FCS institutions, independent non-profit colleges or universities, and independent schools, colleges, or universities for participation in the LINE Fund program.¹² In the same year, \$6,000,000 was provided to state universities for participation in the LINE Fund program.¹³

Career and Technical Education Health Science Curriculum Framework

The Department of Education (DOE) is responsible for developing and maintaining Career and Technical Education (CTE) curriculum frameworks for middle school, secondary, and postsecondary CTE programs. These programs are organized into 17 career clusters¹⁴ and are designed to serve middle school, high school, district technical college, and FCS students statewide. The CTE curriculum frameworks establish standards and competencies developed in collaboration with business, industry, and education partners and are intended to prepare students for occupations important to Florida's economic development.¹⁵ The CTE curriculum frameworks are adopted annually by the State Board of Education.¹⁶ All CTE curriculum frameworks, including the Health Science framework, are available on the DOE CTE webpage and through CPALMS-CTE.¹⁷

The Health Science curriculum framework identifies courses, competencies, and instructional sequences that support health science career pathways from introductory through advanced levels across educational settings. Programs aligned with the Health Science curriculum

¹¹ Section 1009.8962(7)-(8), F.S.

¹² Specific Appropriation 131, Ch. 2025-198, L.O.F.

¹³ Specific Appropriation 146, Ch. 2025-198, L.O.F.

¹⁴ The Florida Department of Education, Career & Technical Education, *2025-26 CTE Curriculum Frameworks*, <https://www.fldoe.org/academics/career-adult-edu/career-tech-edu/curriculum-frameworks/2025-26-frameworks/> (last visited Jan. 26, 2026).

¹⁵ The Florida Department of Education, Career & Technical Education, *CTE Curriculum Frameworks*, <https://www.fldoe.org/academics/career-adult-edu/career-tech-edu/curriculum-frameworks/> (last visited Jan. 26, 2026).

¹⁶ Rule 6A-60571, F.A.C.

¹⁷ CPALMS, *Career and Technical Education (CTE) Programs*, <https://www.cpalms.org/PreviewCourseProgram/CTE?frameurl=%2Fsearch> (last visited Jan. 26, 2026).

framework include certificate and degree pathways that prepare students for health care–related occupations, such as nursing support, allied health, and clinical services.¹⁸

III. Effect of Proposed Changes:

The bill amends s. 1009.8962, F.S., to expand the scope of the Linking Industry to Nursing Education (LINE) Fund to address workforce shortages in health science education programs in addition to nursing education programs. The legislative intent is revised to reflect a broader focus on health science workforce needs and to include programs aligned with the State Board of Education’s (SBE) Career and Technical Education (CTE) Health Science curriculum framework.

The bill revises the definition of “student” to include a resident for tuition purposes who is enrolled in a nursing education program institution or health science education degree or certificate program at an institution that is part of the SBE’s CTE Health Science curriculum framework.

The bill authorizes the LINE Fund to provide a dollar-for-dollar match for contributions made by individuals or entities that are not health care partners, provided the contribution supports an eligible purpose of the fund. Contributions from health care partners must be given priority when awarding matching funds to institutions.

The bill revises allowable uses of LINE Fund monies for nursing and health science education programs by authorizing expenditures for student recruitment and facility renovation or remodeling.

The bill revises grant proposal evaluation criteria to include how funds will expand health science education programs to meet workforce demand. The bill revises annual reporting requirements for grant recipients to include enrollment data for applicable health science education programs, in addition to nursing programs.

Additionally, the bill designates the Department of Education (DOE) as the lead entity responsible for identifying and maintaining health science programs eligible for participation in the LINE Fund and requires the DOE to apply the SBE’s CTE Health Science curriculum framework as the basis for determining program eligibility.

The bill requires the DOE to compile and publish an initial list of LINE-eligible health science programs by October 1, 2026. In developing and administering the list of LINE-eligible health science programs, the bill requires the DOE to:

- Compile the current CTE Health Science pathways and programs;
- Identify CTE-aligned health science programs offered through district technical colleges, career centers, and Florida College System institutions;

¹⁸ The Florida Department of Education, 2025-26 CTE Curriculum Frameworks, *Health Science*, <https://www.fldoe.org/academics/career-adult-edu/career-tech-edu/curriculum-frameworks/2025-26-frameworks/health-science.stml> (last visited Jan. 26, 2026).

- Establish and apply alignment criteria, including credential type and applicable licensure or certification outcomes, for purposes of determining program eligibility; and
- Maintain an approved list of LINE-eligible health science programs for use in administering the LINE Fund.

The bill requires the DOE to annually publish and update the list of eligible health science programs to reflect changes to the CTE Health Science framework and program offerings.

The bill authorizes the Office of Reimagining Education and Career Help (REACH) to provide workforce and labor market demand data to support prioritization of LINE Funding, but prohibits the office from determining program eligibility.

The bill takes effect July 1, 2026.

IV. Constitutional Issues:

A. Municipality/County Mandates Restrictions:

None.

B. Public Records/Open Meetings Issues:

None.

C. Trust Funds Restrictions:

None.

D. State Tax or Fee Increases:

None.

E. Other Constitutional Issues:

None.

V. Fiscal Impact Statement:

A. Tax/Fee Issues:

None.

B. Private Sector Impact:

None.

C. Government Sector Impact:

This bill does not have a fiscal impact on state revenues or expenditures, as the dollar-to-dollar match is subject to available funds.

VI. Technical Deficiencies:

None.

VII. Related Issues:

None.

VIII. Statutes Affected:

This bill substantially amends section 1009.8962 of the Florida Statutes.

IX. Additional Information:**A. Committee Substitute – Statement of Substantial Changes:**

(Summarizing differences between the Committee Substitute and the prior version of the bill.)

CS by Appropriations Committee on Higher Education on February 4, 2026:

The committee substitute maintains the provisions of the original bill but adds the following:

- Clarifies the definition of “student” to include a person enrolled in an nursing education program at an institution or in a health science education degree or certificate program at an institution that is part of the State Board of Education’s (SBE) Career and Technical Education (CTE) Health Science curriculum framework.
- Designates the Department of Education (DOE) to serve as the lead entity for identifying and maintaining health science programs eligible for participation in the LINE Fund and requires program eligibility to be based on the SBE’s CTE Health Science curriculum framework.
- Limits eligibility to CTE-aligned health science programs offered by district technical colleges, career centers, and Florida College System institutions.
- Requires the DOE to establish and apply eligibility criteria including credential type and applicable licensure or certification outcomes.
- Requires the DOE to compile and publish an initial list of LINE-eligible health science programs by October 1, 2026, and to annually review and update the list thereafter.
- Authorizes the Office of Reimagining Education and Career Help (REACH) to provide workforce and labor market demand data to inform prioritization of LINE funding, but prohibits the office from determining program eligibility.

B. Amendments:

None

This Senate Bill Analysis does not reflect the intent or official position of the bill's introducer or the Florida Senate.



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LEGISLATIVE ACTION

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Comm: RCS	.	
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The Appropriations Committee on Higher Education (Davis)
recommended the following:

Senate Amendment (with title amendment)

Delete everything after the enacting clause
and insert:

Section 1. Present paragraphs (b) and (c) of subsection (3)
and subsection (10) of section 1009.8962, Florida Statutes, are
redesignated as paragraphs (c) and (d) and subsection (11),
respectively, a new paragraph (b) is added to subsection (3) of
that section, a new subsection (10) is added to that section,
and subsection (2), present paragraph (c) of subsection (3),



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subsection (5), paragraph (a) of subsection (6), paragraph (d) of subsection (8), and paragraph (b) of subsection (9) of section 1009.8962, Florida Statutes, are amended, to read:

1009.8962 Linking Industry to Nursing Education (LINE) Fund.—

(2) Recognizing that the state has a persistent and growing nursing shortage and shortages in other related health science professions, it is the intent of the Legislature to address this critical workforce need by incentivizing collaboration between nursing and health science education programs and health care partners through the establishment of the LINE Fund. This fund is intended to meet local, regional, and state workforce demand by recruiting faculty and clinical preceptors, increasing the capacity of high-quality nursing and health science education programs as outlined in the State Board of Education's Career and Technical Education Health Science curriculum framework, and increasing the number of nursing and health science education program graduates who are prepared to enter the workforce.

(3) As used in this section, the term:

(b) "Health science" means a program that prepares graduates to provide direct patient care or diagnostic services that advance patient care in a health care setting as defined in s. 408.802, that are outlined in the State Board of Education's Career and Technical Education Health Science curriculum framework, and that is identified by the Department of Education pursuant to subsection (10).

(d) ~~(e)~~ "Student" means a person who is a resident for tuition purposes pursuant to s. 1009.21 and enrolled in a nursing education program at an institution or in a health



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science education degree or certificate program at an institution that is part of the State Board of Education's Career and Technical Education Health Science curriculum framework.

(5) Subject to available funds, for every dollar contributed to an institution by a health care partner, the fund shall provide a dollar-to-dollar match to the participating institution. Subject to available funds, the fund may also provide a dollar-to-dollar match to the participating institution for every dollar contributed to an institution or its direct-support organization by an individual or entity that does not meet the definition of a health care partner, provided the contribution supports an eligible purpose of the LINE Fund. Contributions from health care partners shall receive priority when awarding matching funds to institutions.

(6) (a) Funds may be used for student scholarships, recruitment of additional faculty and students, equipment, facility renovation or remodeling, and simulation centers to advance high-quality nursing and health science education programs throughout the state.

(8) The Board of Governors or Department of Education, as applicable, must review and evaluate each completed and timely submitted proposal according to the following minimum criteria:

(d) How the funds will expand the institution's nursing and health science education programs to meet local, regional, or state workforce demands. If applicable, this shall include advanced education nursing programs and how the funds will increase the number of faculty and clinical preceptors and planned efforts to utilize the clinical placement process



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established in s. 14.36.

(9)

(b) Annually, by February 1, each institution awarded grant funds in the previous fiscal year shall submit a report to the Board of Governors or Department of Education, as applicable, that demonstrates the expansion as outlined in the proposal and the use of funds. At minimum, the report must include, by program level, the number of additional nursing and other applicable health science education students enrolled; if scholarships were awarded using grant funds, the number of students who received scholarships and the average award amount; and the outcomes of students as reported by the Office of Reimagining Education and Career Help pursuant to s. 14.36(3)(1).

(10)(a) The Department of Education shall serve as the lead entity for identifying and maintaining health science education programs eligible for participation in the LINE Fund.

(b) In carrying out this subsection, the department shall apply the State Board of Education's Career and Technical Education Health Science curriculum framework as the basis for determining program eligibility.

(c) No later than October 1, 2026, the department shall compile and publish an initial list of LINE-eligible health science programs. In developing the list, the department shall:

1. Compile the current Career and Technical Education Health Science pathways and programs;

2. Identify aligned health science programs offered through:

a. District technical colleges and career centers; and



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b. Florida College System institutions offering career and technical education-aligned health science certificates and degrees;

3. Establish and apply alignment criteria, including credential type and applicable licensure or certification outcomes; and

4. Publish and maintain an approved list of LINE-eligible health science programs for use in administering the LINE Fund.

(d) The department shall review and update the list annually to reflect updates to the Career and Technical Education Health Science curriculum framework and changes to eligible program offerings.

(e) The Office of Reimagining Education and Career Help (REACH) shall provide to the department workforce and labor market demand data, including information on statewide and regional health care workforce shortages, projected job growth, and occupational demand, to support data-informed prioritization of LINE funding. The REACH office may not determine program eligibility.

Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2026.

===== T I T L E A M E N D M E N T =====

And the title is amended as follows:

Delete everything before the enacting clause
and insert:

A bill to be entitled
An act relating to the Linking Industry to Nursing
Education Fund; amending s. 1009.8962, F.S.; providing
that the Linking Industry to Nursing Education Fund



943756

was established for shortages in health science professions in addition to nursing; defining the term "health science"; revising the definition of the term "student"; authorizing the fund to match certain contributions if funds are available; revising how funds may be used; designating the Department of Education as the lead entity for identifying programs eligible for LINE funding; requiring the department to use the State Board of Education's Career and Technical Education Health Science curriculum framework to determine eligibility; requiring the department to compile and publish a list of eligible programs by a specified date; requiring the department to review and update the list annually; requiring the Office of Reimagining Education and Career Help to provide specified data to the department; prohibiting the Office of Reimagining Education and Career Help from determining eligibility; providing an effective date.

By Senator Davis

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A bill to be entitled
An act relating to health science workforce shortages;
amending s. 1009.8962, F.S.; revising legislative
intent to address workforce needs in health science
education programs, in addition to nursing education
programs; revising the definition of the term
"student"; authorizing the Linking Industry to Nursing
Education Fund to be used to match certain
contributions; revising how certain funds may be
expended; conforming a provision to changes made by
the act; providing an effective date.

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

Section 1. Subsection (2), paragraph (c) of subsection (3),
subsection (5), paragraph (a) of subsection (6), paragraph (d)
of subsection (8), and paragraph (b) of subsection (9) of
section 1009.8962, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:

1009.8962 Linking Industry to Nursing Education (LINE)
Fund.—

(2) Recognizing that the state has a persistent and growing
nursing shortage and shortages in other related health science
professions, it is the intent of the Legislature to address this
critical workforce need by incentivizing collaboration between
nursing and health science education programs and health care
partners through the establishment of the LINE Fund. This fund
is intended to meet local, regional, and state workforce demand
by recruiting faculty and clinical preceptors, increasing the
capacity of high-quality nursing and health science education

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30 programs as outlined in the State Board of Education's Career
31 and Technical Education Health Science curriculum framework, and
32 increasing the number of nursing and health science education
33 program graduates who are prepared to enter the workforce.

34 (3) As used in this section, the term:

35 (c) "Student" means a person who is a resident for tuition
36 purposes pursuant to s. 1009.21 and enrolled in a nursing
37 education or health science education degree or certificate
38 program at an institution that is part of the State Board of
39 Education's Career and Technical Education Health Science
40 curriculum framework.

41 (5) Subject to available funds, for every dollar
42 contributed to an institution by a health care partner, the fund
43 shall provide a dollar-to-dollar match to the participating
44 institution. Subject to available funds, the fund may also
45 provide a dollar-to-dollar match to the participating
46 institution for every dollar contributed to an institution or
47 its direct support organization by an individual or entity that
48 does not meet the definition of a health care partner, provided
49 the contribution supports an eligible purpose of the fund.
50 Contributions from health care partners shall receive priority
51 when awarding matching funds to institutions.

52 (6) (a) Funds may be used for student scholarships,
53 recruitment of additional faculty and students, equipment,
54 facility renovation or remodeling, and simulation centers to
55 advance high-quality nursing and health science education
56 programs throughout the state.

57 (8) The Board of Governors or Department of Education, as
58 applicable, must review and evaluate each completed and timely

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submitted proposal according to the following minimum criteria:

(d) How the funds will expand the institution's nursing and health science education programs to meet local, regional, or state workforce demands. If applicable, this shall include advanced education nursing programs and how the funds will increase the number of faculty and clinical preceptors and planned efforts to utilize the clinical placement process established in s. 14.36.

(9)

(b) Annually, by February 1, each institution awarded grant funds in the previous fiscal year shall submit a report to the Board of Governors or Department of Education, as applicable, that demonstrates the expansion as outlined in the proposal and the use of funds. At minimum, the report must include, by program level, the number of additional nursing and other applicable health science education students enrolled; if scholarships were awarded using grant funds, the number of students who received scholarships and the average award amount; and the outcomes of students as reported by the Office of Reimagining Education and Career Help pursuant to s. 14.36(3)(1).

Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2026.

S01246

GENERAL BILL by Davis; (Compare CS/H 01325)

Health Science Workforce Shortages. EFFECTIVE DATE: 07/01/2026.

01/21/26 S Now in Appropriations Committee on Higher Education

01/30/26 S On Committee agenda-- Appropriations Committee on Higher Education, 02/04/26, 3:45 pm, 110 Senate Building

02/04/26 S CS by Appropriations Committee on Higher Education; YEAS 7 NAYS 0

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TAB 3

SB 1246

Meeting Date

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Bill Number or Topic

943756

Committee

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Amendment Barcode (if applicable)

Name

TOM GRIFFIN

Phone

561-591-722

Address

215 S. Main

Email

tom@dukegriffin.com

Street

Fort Lauderdale FL 33301

City

State

Zip

Speaking: ☐ For ☐ Against ☐ Information

OR

Waive Speaking: ☒ In Support ☐ Against

PLEASE CHECK ONE OF THE FOLLOWING:

☐ I am appearing without compensation or sponsorship.

☒ I am a registered lobbyist, representing:

College of Central Florida

☐ I am not a lobbyist, but received something of value for my appearance (travel, meals, lodging, etc.), sponsored by:

While it is a tradition to encourage public testimony, time may not permit all persons wishing to speak to be heard at this hearing. Those who do speak may be asked to limit their remarks so that as many persons as possible can be heard. If you have questions about registering to lobby please see Fla. Stat. §11.045 and Joint Rule 1. [2020-2022 Joint Rules.pdf \(flsenate.gov\)](#)

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Committee

Amendment Barcode (if applicable)

Name TAYLOR MEDIA ROBERTS

Phone (904) 632-3220

Address 501 W STATE ST

Street

Email TAYLOR.MEDIA@FSCJ.EDU

JACKSONVILLE

City

FL

State

32202

Zip

Speaking: ☐ For ☐ Against ☐ Information

OR

Waive Speaking: ☒ In Support ☐ Against

PLEASE CHECK ONE OF THE FOLLOWING:

☐ I am appearing without
compensation or sponsorship.

☒ I am a registered lobbyist,
representing:

FLORIDA STATE COLLEGE
AT JACKSONVILLE
(FSCJ)

☐ I am not a lobbyist, but received
something of value for my appearance
(travel, meals, lodging, etc.),
sponsored by:

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SB 124C

Bill Number or Topic

Meeting Date

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Committee

Amendment Barcode (if applicable)

Name

DAVID MICA

Phone

Address

Email

Street

City

State

Zip

Speaking:



For



Against



Information

OR

Waive Speaking:



In Support



Against

PLEASE CHECK ONE OF THE FOLLOWING:



I am appearing without
compensation or sponsorship.



I am a registered lobbyist,
representing:



I am not a lobbyist, but received
something of value for my appearance
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sponsored by:

Florida Hospital Association

While it is a tradition to encourage public testimony, time may not permit all persons wishing to speak to be heard at this hearing. Those who do speak may be asked to limit their remarks so that as many persons as possible can be heard. If you have questions about registering to lobby please see Fla. Stat. §11.045 and Joint Rule 1. [2020-2022 Joint Rules.pdf](#) ([flsenate.gov](#))

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Amendment Barcode (if applicable)

Name

Carolyn Johnson

Phone

521-1200

Address

130 S Bronough St

Street

Email

cjohnson@flchamber.com

Tallahassee

City

State

Zip

Speaking: ☐ For ☐ Against ☐ Information

OR

Waive Speaking: ☒ In Support ☐ Against

PLEASE CHECK ONE OF THE FOLLOWING:

☐

I am appearing without
compensation or sponsorship.

☒

I am a registered lobbyist,
representing:

FL Chamber of
Commerce

☐

I am not a lobbyist, but received
something of value for my appearance
(travel, meals, lodging, etc.),
sponsored by:

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**STATE OF FLORIDA
DEPARTMENT OF STATE**

Division of Elections

I, Cord Byrd, Secretary of State,
do hereby certify that

Christopher Campbell

is duly appointed a member of the

**Board of Trustees,
Chipola College**

for a term beginning on the Twelfth day of December, A.D.,
2025, until the Thirty-First day of May, A.D., 2027 and is
subject to be confirmed by the Senate during the next regular
session of the Legislature.

*Given under my hand and the Great Seal of the
State of Florida, at Tallahassee, the Capital, this
the Sixteenth day of January, A.D., 2026.*



Secretary of State



RON DeSANTIS
GOVERNOR

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DIVISION OF ELECTIONS
TALLAHASSEE, FL

December 12, 2025

Secretary Cord Byrd
Department of State
R.A. Gray Building, Room 316
500 South Bronough Street
Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0250

Dear Secretary Byrd:

Please be advised I have made the following appointment under the provisions of Section 1001.61, Florida Statutes:

Mr. Christopher Campbell
14363 Northwest Hoecake Road
Bristol, Florida 32321

as a member of the Chipola College District Board of Trustees, filling a vacant seat previously occupied by Darrin Wall, subject to confirmation by the Senate. This appointment is effective December 12, 2025, for a term ending May 31, 2027.

Sincerely,

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Ron DeSantis
Governor

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OATH OF OFFICE

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STATE OF FLORIDA

County of LIBERTY

I do solemnly swear (or affirm) that I will support, protect, and defend the Constitution and Government of the United States and of the State of Florida; that I am duly qualified to hold office under the Constitution of the State, and that I will well and faithfully perform the duties of

Chipola College District Board of Trustees

(Full Name of Office – Abbreviations Not Accepted)

on which I am now about to enter, so help me God.

[NOTE: If you affirm, you may omit the words "so help me God." See § 92.52, Fla. Stat.]

Signature Christopher A. Campbell

Sworn to and subscribed before me by means of physical presence ☒ OR online notarization ☐
this 5th day of January, 2026

[Signature]
Signature of Officer Administering Oath or of Notary Public

(To be completed only by judges administering oath – see § 92.50, Florida Statutes.)

Christopher D. Bufano
Print Name

County Court Judge
Title

Liberty County Court, FL.
Court

(To be completed by officer administering oath, other than judges – see § 92.50, Florida Statutes.)

Affix Seal Below

Personally Known ☐ OR Produced Identification ☐
Type of Identification Produced _____

ACCEPTANCE

I accept the office listed in the above Oath of Office.

Mailing Address: Home ☐

Office ☒

10564 Florida SR 20

Street or Post Office Box

Bristol, FL 32321

City, State, Zip Code

Christopher A. Campbell

Print Name

[Signature]
Signature

CHRIS CAMPBELL
Meeting Date

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TAB4

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Bill Number or Topic

Committee

Amendment Barcode (if applicable)

Name CHRIS CAMPBELL Phone 850-557-1090

Address Appointment to CALPOLA BOARD Email chris.a.campbell22@gmail.com
Street

City

State

Zip

Speaking: ☐ For ☐ Against ☐ Information **OR** Waive Speaking: ☐ In Support ☐ Against

PLEASE CHECK ONE OF THE FOLLOWING:

☐ I am appearing without
compensation or sponsorship.

☐ I am a registered lobbyist,
representing:

☐ I am not a lobbyist, but received
something of value for my appearance
(travel, meals, lodging, etc.),
sponsored by:

CALPOLA BOARD TRUSTEE

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**STATE OF FLORIDA
DEPARTMENT OF STATE**

Division of Elections

I, Cord Byrd, Secretary of State,
do hereby certify that

Joseph Shuler

is duly appointed a member of the

**Board of Trustees,
Chipola College**

for a term beginning on the Twelfth day of December, A.D.,
2025, until the Thirty-First day of May, A.D., 2029 and is
subject to be confirmed by the Senate during the next regular
session of the Legislature.

*Given under my hand and the Great Seal of the
State of Florida, at Tallahassee, the Capital, this
the Sixteenth day of January, A.D., 2026.*



Secretary of State

DSDE 99 (3/03)

RON DeSANTIS
GOVERNOR

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TALLAHASSEE, FL

December 12, 2025

Secretary Cord Byrd
Department of State
R.A. Gray Building, Room 316
500 South Bronough Street
Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0250

Dear Secretary Byrd:

Please be advised I have made the following appointment under the provisions of Section 1001.61, Florida Statutes:

Mr. Joseph Shuler
1538 Metropolitan Boulevard
Tallahassee, Florida 32308

as a member of the Chipola College District Board of Trustees, succeeding Karla Worley, subject to confirmation by the Senate. This appointment is effective December 12, 2025, for a term ending May 31, 2029.

Sincerely,



Ron DeSantis
Governor

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STATE OF FLORIDA

County of Leon

TALLAHASSEE, FL

I do solemnly swear (or affirm) that I will support, protect, and defend the Constitution and Government of the United States and of the State of Florida; that I am duly qualified to hold office under the Constitution of the State, and that I will well and faithfully perform the duties of

Chipola College District Board of Trustees

(Full Name of Office - Abbreviations Not Accepted)

on which I am now about to enter, so help me God.

[NOTE: If you affirm, you may omit the words "so help me God." See § 92.52, Fla. Stat.]

Signature

Sworn to and subscribed before me by means of physical presence ☒ OR online notarization ☐
this 8 day of January, 2026.

Chris Salcido

Signature of Officer Administering Oath or of Notary Public

(To be completed only by judges administering oath - see § 92.50, Florida Statutes.)

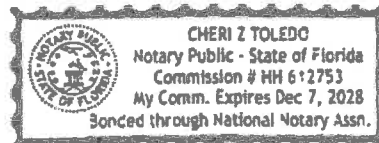
Print Name

Title

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Affix Seal Below



Personally Known ☒ OR Produced Identification ☐

Type of Identification Produced _____

ACCEPTANCE

I accept the office listed in the above Oath of Office.

Mailing Address: Home ☐ Office ☒

1538 Metropolitan Blvd.

Street or Post Office Box

Tallahassee, FL 32308

City, State, Zip Code

Joseph D. Shuler

Print Name

Joseph D. Shuler
Signature

TAB 5

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Meeting Date

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Committee

Amendment Barcode (if applicable)

Name Joseph ShulerPhone 850 508-6407Address 18420 NE CR 67A
StreetEmail joseph@carinc.comHosford
CityFL
State32334
ZipSpeaking: ☐ For ☐ Against ☐ Information

OR

Waive Speaking: ☐ In Support ☐ Against

PLEASE CHECK ONE OF THE FOLLOWING:

☐ I am appearing without
compensation or sponsorship.☐ I am a registered lobbyist,
representing:☐ I am not a lobbyist, but received
something of value for my appearance
(travel, meals, lodging, etc.),
sponsored by:Chipola Board Appointment

While it is a tradition to encourage public testimony, time may not permit all persons wishing to speak to be heard at this hearing. Those who do speak may be asked to limit their remarks so that as many persons as possible can be heard. If you have questions about registering to lobby please see Fla. Stat. §11.045 and Joint Rule 1. [2020-2022 Joint Rules.pdf \(flsenate.gov\)](#)

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**STATE OF FLORIDA
DEPARTMENT OF STATE
Division of Elections**

I, Cord Byrd, Secretary of State,
do hereby certify that

Daniel Eugene Ryals, III

is duly appointed a member of the

**Board of Trustees,
Chipola College**

for a term beginning on the Twelfth day of December, A.D.,
2025, until the Thirty-First day of May, A.D., 2029 and is
subject to be confirmed by the Senate during the next regular
session of the Legislature.

*Given under my hand and the Great Seal of the
State of Florida, at Tallahassee, the Capital, this
the Twenty-Second day of January, A.D., 2026.*



Secretary of State



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GOVERNOR

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TALLAHASSEE, FL

December 12, 2025

Secretary Cord Byrd
Department of State
R.A. Gray Building, Room 316
500 South Bronough Street
Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0250

Dear Secretary Byrd:

Please be advised I have made the following reappointment under the provisions of Section 1001.61, Florida Statutes:

Mr. Daniel Ryals
19300 State Road 20 West
P.O. Box 100
Blountstown, Florida 32424

as a member of the Chipola College District Board of Trustees, subject to confirmation by the Senate. This appointment is effective December 12, 2025, for a term ending May 31, 2029.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be "Ron DeSantis".

Ron DeSantis
Governor

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STATE OF FLORIDA

County of Calhoun

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TALLAHASSEE, FL

I do solemnly swear (or affirm) that I will support, protect, and defend the Constitution and Government of the United States and of the State of Florida; that I am duly qualified to hold office under the Constitution of the State, and that I will well and faithfully perform the duties of

Chipola College Trustee

(Full Name of Office - Abbreviations Not Accepted)

on which I am now about to enter, so help me God.

[NOTE: If you affirm, you may omit the words "so help me God." See § 92.52, Fla. Stat.]

Signature

Daniel Eugene Ryals III

Sworn to and subscribed before me by means of physical presence ☒ OR online notarization ☐
this 7th day of January, 2026.

Brenda Lee Smith

Signature of Officer Administering Oath or of Notary Public

(To be completed only by judges administering oath - see § 92.50, Florida Statutes.)

Print Name

Title

Court

(To be completed by officer administering oath, other than judges - see § 92.50, Florida Statutes.)



Personally Known ☐ OR Produced Identification ☒

Type of Identification Produced Florida Driver's License

ACCEPTANCE

I accept the office listed in the above Oath of Office.

Mailing Address: Home ☐ Office ☒

P.O. Box 100

Daniel Eugene Ryals III

Street or Post Office Box

Print Name

Blountstown FL 32424

Daniel Eugene Ryals III

City, State, Zip Code

Signature

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**STATE OF FLORIDA
DEPARTMENT OF STATE
Division of Elections**

I, Cord Byrd, Secretary of State,
do hereby certify that

Robert A. Reiff

is duly appointed a member of the

**Board of Trustees,
Chipola College**

for a term beginning on the Twelfth day of December, A.D.,
2025, until the Thirty-First day of May, A.D., 2027 and is
subject to be confirmed by the Senate during the next regular
session of the Legislature.

*Given under my hand and the Great Seal of the
State of Florida, at Tallahassee, the Capital, this
the Sixteenth day of January, A.D., 2026.*



Secretary of State

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DIVISION OF ELECTIONS
TALLAHASSEE, FL



December 12, 2025

Secretary Cord Byrd
Department of State
R.A. Gray Building, Room 316
500 South Bronough Street
Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0250

Dear Secretary Byrd:

Please be advised I have made the following appointment under the provisions of Section 1001.61, Florida Statutes:

Mr. Robert Reiff
3125 Watson Drive
Marianna, Florida 32446

as a member of the Chipola College District Board of Trustees, filling a vacant seat previously occupied by Andrew Fleener, subject to confirmation by the Senate. This appointment is effective December 12, 2025, for a term ending May 31, 2027.

Sincerely,

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Ron DeSantis
Governor

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STATE OF FLORIDA

County of Jackson

I do solemnly swear (or affirm) that I will support, protect, and defend the Constitution and Government of the United States and of the State of Florida; that I am duly qualified to hold office under the Constitution of the State, and that I will well and faithfully perform the duties of

Chipola College Board Of Trustees

(Full Name of Office – Abbreviations Not Accepted)

on which I am now about to enter, so help me God.

[NOTE: If you affirm, you may omit the words "so help me God." See § 92.52, Fla. Stat.]

Signature

Robert A. Reiff

Sworn to and subscribed before me by means of physical presence ☒ OR online notarization ☐
this 7 day of Jan, 2026.

Jimmy Turner

Signature of Officer Administering Oath or of Notary Public

(To be completed only by judges administering oath— see § 92.50, Florida Statutes.)

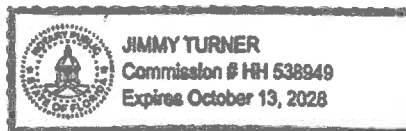
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Title

Court

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Affix Seal Below



Personally Known ☒ OR Produced Identification ☐

Type of Identification Produced _____

ACCEPTANCE

I accept the office listed in the above Oath of Office.

Mailing Address: Home ☐

Office ☒

3125 Watson Drive

Street or Post Office Box

Marianna, Florida 32446

City, State, Zip Code

Robert A. Reiff

Print Name

Robert A. Reiff

Signature

TAB 7

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2-4-26

Meeting Date

Deliver both copies of this form to
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Bill Number or Topic

Committee

Amendment Barcode (if applicable)

Name

Robert Reiff

Phone

850-573-4164

Address

3125 Watson Drive

Email

brown-reiffleemburg.ma@gmail.com

Street

MARIANNA FL. 32446

City

State

Zip

Speaking:

☐

For

☐

Against

☐

Information

OR

Waive Speaking:

☐

In Support

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Against

PLEASE CHECK ONE OF THE FOLLOWING:

☐I am appearing without
compensation or sponsorship.☐I am a registered lobbyist,
representing:☐I am not a lobbyist, but received
something of value for my appearance
(travel, meals, lodging, etc.),
sponsored by:

Chipola Board Trustee

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**STATE OF FLORIDA
DEPARTMENT OF STATE**

Division of Elections

I, Cord Byrd, Secretary of State,
do hereby certify that

Joel Paul, Jr.

is duly appointed a member of the

**Board of Trustees,
Chipola College**

for a term beginning on the Twelfth day of December, A.D.,
2025, until the Thirty-First day of May, A.D., 2027 and is
subject to be confirmed by the Senate during the next regular
session of the Legislature.

*Given under my hand and the Great Seal of the
State of Florida, at Tallahassee, the Capital, this
the Sixteenth day of January, A D., 2026.*



Secretary of State



RON DESANTIS
GOVERNOR

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DIVISION OF ELECTIONS
TALLAHASSEE, FL

December 12, 2025

Secretary Cord Byrd
Department of State
R.A. Gray Building, Room 316
500 South Bronough Street
Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0250

Dear Secretary Byrd:

Please be advised I have made the following reappointment under the provisions of Section 1001.61, Florida Statutes:

Mr. Joel Paul Jr.
P.O. Box 1210
Bonifay, Florida 32425

as a member of the Chipola College District Board of Trustees, subject to confirmation by the Senate. This appointment is effective December 12, 2025, for a term ending May 31, 2027.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature of Ron DeSantis in black ink.

Ron DeSantis
Governor

RD/dw

OATH OF OFFICE

(Art. II, § 5(b), Fla. Const.; § 92.50, Florida Statutes)

STATE OF FLORIDA

County of Holmes

I do solemnly swear (or affirm) that I will support, protect, and defend the Constitution and Government of the United States and of the State of Florida; that I am duly qualified to hold office under the Constitution of the State, and that I will well and faithfully perform the duties of

CHIPOLA COLLEGE DISTRICT BOARD OF TRUSTEES

(Full Name of Office – Abbreviations Not Accepted)

on which I am now about to enter, so help me God.

[NOTE: If you affirm, you may omit the words "so help me God." See § 92.52, Fla. Stat.]

Signature Joel Paul Jr

Sworn to and subscribed before me by means of physical presence ☒ OR online notarization ☐
this 15 day of December, 2025.

Sharon S. Kent

Signature of Officer Administering Oath or of Notary Public

(To be completed only by judges administering oath— see § 92.50, Florida Statutes.)

Print Name _____

Title _____

Court _____

(To be completed by officer administering oath, other than judges – see § 92.50, Florida Statutes.)

Affix Seal Below



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Type of Identification Produced Driver License

ACCEPTANCE

I accept the office listed in the above Oath of Office.

Mailing Address: Home ☐

Office ☒

P.O. Box 1210

Street or Post Office Box

BONIFAY, FL. 32425

City, State, Zip Code

JOEL PAUL JR

Print Name

Joel Paul Jr
Signature

The Florida Senate
APPEARANCE RECORD

TAB 8

Meeting Date _____

Deliver both copies of this form to
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Bill Number or Topic _____

Committee _____

Amendment Barcode (if applicable) _____

Name JOEL PAUL JR Phone _____

Address APPOINTMENT TO CHIPOLA COLLEGE Email _____
Street

City _____

State _____

Zip _____

Speaking: ☐ For ☐ Against ☐ Information **OR** Waive Speaking: ☐ In Support ☐ Against

PLEASE CHECK ONE OF THE FOLLOWING:

☐ I am appearing without
compensation or sponsorship.

☐ I am a registered lobbyist,
representing:

☐ I am not a lobbyist, but received
something of value for my appearance
(travel, meals, lodging, etc.),
sponsored by:

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S-001 (08/10/2021)

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**STATE OF FLORIDA
DEPARTMENT OF STATE
Division of Elections**

I, Cord Byrd, Secretary of State,
do hereby certify that

Daniel Z. Epstein

is duly appointed a member of the

**Board of Trustees,
Palm Beach State College**

for a term beginning on the Twenty-Seventh day of June, A.D.,
2025, until the Twenty-Seventh day of June, A.D., 2029 and is
subject to be confirmed by the Senate during the next regular
session of the Legislature.

*Given under my hand and the Great Seal of the
State of Florida, at Tallahassee, the Capital, this
the Twenty-Second day of January, A.D., 2026.*



Secretary of State

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DIVISION OF ELECTIONS
TALLAHASSEE, FL

June 27, 2025

Secretary Cord Byrd
Department of State
R.A. Gray Building, Room 316
500 South Bronough Street
Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0250

Dear Secretary Byrd:

Please be advised I have made the following reappointment under the provisions of Section 1001.61, Florida Statutes:

Dr. Daniel Epstein
17297 Rainstream Road
Boca Raton, Florida 33496

as a member of the Palm Beach State College District Board of Trustees, subject to confirmation by the Senate. This appointment is effective June 27, 2025, for a term ending May 31, 2029.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Ron DeSantis".

Ron DeSantis
Governor

RD/dw

OATH OF OFFICE

(Art. II, § 5(b), Fla. Const.; § 92.50, Florida Statutes)

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STATE OF FLORIDA

County of PALM BEACH

I do solemnly swear (or affirm) that I will support, protect, and defend the Constitution and Government of the United States and of the State of Florida; that I am duly qualified to hold office under the Constitution of the State, and that I will well and faithfully perform the duties of

CHAIRMAN, PALM BEACH STATE COLLEGE TRUSTEES

(Full Name of Office - Abbreviations Not Accepted)

on which I am now about to enter, so help me God.

[NOTE: If you affirm, you may omit the words "so help me God." See § 92.52, Fla. Stat.]

Signature

[Signature]

Sworn to and subscribed before me by means of physical presence ☒ OR online notarization ☐
this 8th day of JANUARY, 2026

[Signature] GEETA BISSON

Signature of Officer Administering Oath or of Notary Public

(To be completed only by judges administering oath - see § 92.50, Florida Statutes.)

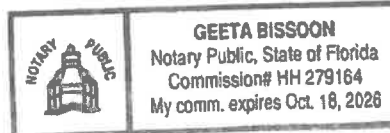
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ACCEPTANCE

I accept the office listed in the above Oath of Office.

Mailing Address: Home ☒ Office ☐

17297 Rainstream Rd

Street or Post Office Box

Boca Raton, FL 33496

City, State, Zip Code

Print Name

Daniel Epstein

Signature

[Signature]

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**STATE OF FLORIDA
DEPARTMENT OF STATE
Division of Elections**

I, Cord Byrd, Secretary of State,
do hereby certify that

Stacy L. Plean

is duly appointed a member of the

**Board of Trustees,
Palm Beach State College**

for a term beginning on the Seventh day of January, A.D., 2026,
until the Thirty-First day of May, A.D., 2026 and is subject to
be confirmed by the Senate during the next regular session of
the Legislature.

*Given under my hand and the Great Seal of the
State of Florida, at Tallahassee, the Capital, this
the Sixteenth day of January, A D., 2026.*



Secretary of State

RON DeSANTIS
GOVERNOR

2026 JAN 12 PM 2:49

January 7, 2026

Secretary Cord Byrd
Department of State
R.A. Gray Building, Room 316
500 South Bronough Street
Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0250

Dear Secretary Byrd:

Please be advised I have made the following appointment under the provisions of Section 1001.61, Florida Statutes:

Ms. Stacy Plean
9304 Peach Lane
Boynton Beach, Florida 33437

as a member of the Palm Beach State College District Board of Trustees, filling a vacant seat previously occupied by Michael Barnett, subject to confirmation by the Senate. This appointment is effective January 7, 2026, for a term ending May 31, 2026.

Sincerely,



Ron DeSantis
Governor

RD/kf

OATH OF OFFICE

(Art. II, § 5(b), Fla. Const.; § 92.50, Florida Statutes)

STATE OF FLORIDA

County of Palm Beach

I do solemnly swear (or affirm) that I will support, protect, and defend the Constitution and Government of the United States and of the State of Florida; that I am duly qualified to hold office under the Constitution of the State, and that I will well and faithfully perform the duties of

Trustee for Palm Beach State College

(Full Name of Office – Abbreviations Not Accepted)

on which I am now about to enter, so help me God.

[NOTE: If you affirm, you may omit the words "so help me God." See § 92.52, Fla. Stat.]

Signature

Sworn to and subscribed before me by means of physical presence ☒ OR online notarization ☐
this 9th day of Jan, 2026

Signature of Officer Administering Oath or of Notary Public

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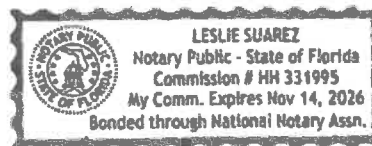
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ACCEPTANCE

I accept the office listed in the above Oath of Office.

Mailing Address: Home ☒ Office ☐

9304 Peach Lane

Street or Post Office Box

Boynton Beach, FL 33437

City, State, Zip Code

Stacy L Plean

Print Name

Signature

365

**STATE OF FLORIDA
DEPARTMENT OF STATE**

Division of Elections

I, Cord Byrd, Secretary of State,
do hereby certify that

Marilyn J. Pearson-Adams

is duly appointed a member of the

**Board of Trustees,
Pasco-Hernando State College**

for a term beginning on the Twelfth day of December, A.D.,
2025, until the Thirty-First day of May, A.D., 2029 and is
subject to be confirmed by the Senate during the next regular
session of the Legislature.

*Given under my hand and the Great Seal of the
State of Florida, at Tallahassee, the Capital, this
the Sixteenth day of January, A.D., 2026*



Secretary of State

RON DESANTIS
GOVERNOR

2025 12 12:08

December 12, 2025

Secretary Cord Byrd
Department of State
R.A. Gray Building, Room 316
500 South Bronough Street
Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0250

Dear Secretary Byrd:

Please be advised I have made the following reappointment under the provisions of Section 1001.61, Florida Statutes:

Mrs. Marilyn Pearson-Adams
5381 Southern Valley Loop
Brooksville, Florida 34601

as a member of the Pasco-Hernando State College District Board of Trustees, subject to confirmation by the Senate. This appointment is effective December 12, 2025, for a term ending May 31, 2029.

Sincerely,



Ron DeSantis
Governor

RD/dw

OATH OF OFFICE

(Art. II, § 5(b), Fla. Const.; § 92.50, Florida Statutes)

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STATE OF FLORIDA

County of Hernando

I do solemnly swear (or affirm) that I will support, protect, and defend the Constitution and Government of the United States and of the State of Florida; that I am duly qualified to hold office under the Constitution of the State, and that I will well and faithfully perform the duties of

Trustee of the District Board of Trustees for Pasco Hernando State College

(Full Name of Office – Abbreviations Not Accepted)

on which I am now about to enter, so help me God.

[NOTE: If you affirm, you may omit the words "so help me God." See § 92.52, Fla. Stat.]

Signature

Cathleen McCoy

Sworn to and subscribed before me by means of physical presence ☒ OR online notarization ☐
this 23rd day of December, 2025.

Signature of Officer Administering Oath or of Notary Public

(To be completed only by judges administering oath— see § 92.50, Florida Statutes.)

Print Name

Title

Court

(To be completed by officer administering oath, other than judges – see § 92.50, Florida Statutes.)

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CATHLEEN MCCOY
Commission # HH 703911
Expires July 28, 2029

Personally Known ☒ OR Produced Identification ☐

Type of Identification Produced _____

ACCEPTANCE

I accept the office listed in the above Oath of Office.

Mailing Address: Home ☒

Office ☐

5381 Southern Valley Loop

Marilyn J Pearson-Adams

Street or Post Office Box

Print Name

Brooksville, FL 34601

City, State, Zip Code

Signature

Marilyn J Pearson-Adams

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**STATE OF FLORIDA
DEPARTMENT OF STATE**

Division of Elections

I, Cord Byrd, Secretary of State,
do hereby certify that

Toni Zetzsche

is duly appointed a member of the

**Board of Trustees,
Pasco-Hernando State College**

for a term beginning on the Twelfth day of December, A.D.,
2025, until the Thirty-First day of May, A.D., 2029 and is
subject to be confirmed by the Senate during the next regular
session of the Legislature.

*Given under my hand and the Great Seal of the
State of Florida, at Tallahassee, the Capital, this
the Sixteenth day of January, A.D., 2026.*



Secretary of State





RON DeSANTIS
GOVERNOR

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DIVISION OF ELECTIONS
TALLAHASSEE, FL

December 12, 2025

Secretary Cord Byrd
Department of State
R.A. Gray Building, Room 316
500 South Bronough Street
Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0250

Dear Secretary Byrd:

Please be advised I have made the following appointment under the provisions of Section 1001.61, Florida Statutes:

Dr. Toni Zetzsche



as a member of the Pasco-Hernando State College District Board of Trustees, filling a vacant seat previously occupied by Ryan Brady, subject to confirmation by the Senate. This appointment is effective December 12, 2025, for a term ending May 31, 2029.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Ron DeSantis".

Ron DeSantis
Governor

RD/dw

OATH OF OFFICE

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STATE OF FLORIDA

County of Pasco

DIVISION OF ELECTIONS
JAN 9 2026

I do solemnly swear (or affirm) that I will support, protect, and defend the Constitution and Government of the United States and of the State of Florida; that I am duly qualified to hold office under the Constitution of the State, and that I will well and faithfully perform the duties of

Pasco Hernando State College Board of Trustees

(Full Name of Office – Abbreviations Not Accepted)

on which I am now about to enter, so help me God.

[NOTE: If you affirm, you may omit the words "so help me God." See § 92.52, Fla. Stat.]

Signature Toni Zetzsche

Sworn to and subscribed before me by means of physical presence ☒ OR online notarization ☐
this 7 day of January, 2026.

Kathleen Huntzinger

Signature of Officer Administering Oath or of Notary Public

(To be completed only by judges administering oath— see § 92.50, Florida Statutes.)

Print Name _____

Title _____

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Type of Identification Produced _____

ACCEPTANCE

I accept the office listed in the above Oath of Office.

Mailing Address: Home ☒ Office ☐

[Redacted]
Street or Post Office Box

[Redacted]
City, State, Zip Code

Toni Zetzsche
Print Name

Toni Zetzsche
Signature

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**STATE OF FLORIDA
DEPARTMENT OF STATE**

Division of Elections

I, Cord Byrd, Secretary of State,
do hereby certify that

Troy M. Tippett, II

is duly appointed a member of the

**Board of Trustees,
Pensacola State College**

for a term beginning on the Eighth day of January, A.D., 2026,
until the Thirty-First day of May, A.D., 2026 and is subject to
be confirmed by the Senate during the next regular session of
the Legislature.

*Given under my hand and the Great Seal of the
State of Florida, at Tallahassee, the Capital, this
the Twenty-Second day of January, A.D., 2026.*



Secretary of State

RON DeSANTIS
GOVERNOR

2026 JAN 12 PM 2:41

January 8, 2026

Secretary Cord Byrd
Department of State
R.A. Gray Building, Room 316
500 South Bronough Street
Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0250

Dear Secretary Byrd:

Please be advised I have made the following reappointment under the provisions of Section 1001.61, Florida Statutes:

Dr. Troy Tippet II
2253 Banquos Court
Pensacola, Florida 32503

as a member of the Pensacola State College District Board of Trustees, filling a vacant seat previously occupied by Kevin Lacz, subject to confirmation by the Senate. This appointment is effective January 8, 2026, for a term ending May 31, 2026.

Sincerely,



Ron DeSantis
Governor

RD/kf

20 AM 9:03

FALL, WASSER, FL

County of Escondido

Pensacola State College District Board of Trustees
(Name of Office)

[NOTE: If you affirm, you may omit the words “so help me God.” See § 92.52, Fla. Stat.]

Signature Shay M. Jisset - II

Sworn to and subscribed before me by means of X physical presence
Or online notarization this 12 day of January, 2026.



HALEIGH WILLIAMS
MY COMMISSION # HH 388355
EXPIRES: April 19, 2027

Haleigh Williams
Signature of Officer Administering Oath or of Notary Public

Haleigh Williams
Print, Type, or Stamp Commissioned Name of Notary Public

Personally Known ☒ or Produced Identification ☐

Type of Identification Produced _____

I accept the office listed in the above Oath of Office.

Mailing Address: Home ☒ Office ☐

2253 Banquos Ct.
Street or Post Office Box

Pensacola, Fl 32503
City, State, Zip Code

Troy M. Tippet II
Print Name

Signature Gray M. Vignett IV

FLORIDA SENATE CONFIRMATION QUESTIONNAIRE

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The information from this questionnaire will be used by the Florida Senate in considering action on your confirmation. The questionnaire **MUST BE COMPLETED IN FULL**. Answer "none" or "not applicable" where appropriate. Please type or print in blue or black ink.

1-12-26

Date Completed

1. Name: Dr. Tippett II Troy Marion
Mr./Mrs./Ms. Last First Middle/Maiden

2. Business Address: not applicable
Street Office # City

Post Office Box State Zip Code Area Code/Phone Number
3. Residence Address: 2253 Banquos Court Pensacola Escambia

Street City County
Florida 32503 (850) 418-1679

Post Office Box State Zip Code Area Code/Phone Number

Specify the preferred mailing address: Business ☐ Residence ☒

4. Fax # (optional) none Email Address: tippett2@aol.com

5. Date of Birth: [REDACTED] Place of Birth: Cape Girardeau, Missouri

6. Social Security Number: [REDACTED]

7. Driver License Number: [REDACTED] Issuing State: FL

8. Have you ever been known by any other legal name? Yes ☐ No ☒ If "Yes" explain: 2076 JAN 20 AM 9:03

9. Are you a United States citizen? Yes ☒ No ☐ If "No" explain: ALL INFORMATION CONTAINED HEREIN IS UNCLASSIFIED

If you are a naturalized citizen, date of naturalization: not applicable

10. Since what year have you been a continuous resident of Florida? 1976

11. Are you a registered Florida voter? Yes ☒ No ☐ If "Yes" list:

A. County of Registration: Escambia B. Current Party Affiliation: Republican

12. Are you an officer, director, or administrator of a Florida state, county, or regional professional or occupational organization or association that relates to your profession or occupation or the board to which you have been appointed? If "Yes" explain:

No

13. If required by law or administrative rule, will you file financial disclosure statements?

Yes ☒ No ☐

TAB 13

The Florida Senate

APPEARANCE RECORDPensacola State College
PSC appointment

2-4-26

Meeting Date

Bill Number or Topic

Appropriations Higher Ed

Committee

Deliver both copies of this form to
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Amendment Barcode (if applicable)

Name

Troy Tippet

Phone

850-418-1679

Address

2253 Bangueos Rd

Email

ttippet2@aol.com

Street

Pensacola, FL

State

32503

Zip

Speaking:

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**STATE OF FLORIDA
DEPARTMENT OF STATE
Division of Elections**

I, Cord Byrd, Secretary of State,
do hereby certify that

Richard B. Franz, III

is duly appointed a member of the

**Board of Trustees,
Saint Petersburg College**

for a term beginning on the Eighth day of January, A.D., 2026,
until the Thirty-First day of May, A.D., 2026 and is subject to
be confirmed by the Senate during the next regular session of
the Legislature.

*Given under my hand and the Great Seal of the
State of Florida, at Tallahassee, the Capital, this
the Twenty-Second day of January, A.D., 2026.*



Secretary of State

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RON DESANTIS
GOVERNOR

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January 8, 2026

Secretary Cord Byrd
Department of State
R.A. Gray Building, Room 316
500 South Bronough Street
Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0250

Dear Secretary Byrd:

Please be advised I have made the following appointment under the provisions of Section 1001.61, Florida Statutes:

Mr. Richard Franz III
877 Executive Center Drive West
Suite 100
St. Petersburg, Florida 33702

as a member of the St. Petersburg College District Board of Trustees, filling a vacant seat previously occupied by Nathan Stonecipher, subject to confirmation by the Senate. This appointment is effective January 8, 2026, for a term ending May 31, 2026.

Sincerely,



Ron DeSantis
Governor

RD/kf

OATH OF OFFICE

(Art. II, § 5(b), Fla. Const.; § 92.50, Florida Statutes)

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DEPARTMENT OF STATE
JAN 20 AM 9:15
TALLAHASSEE, FLORIDA

STATE OF FLORIDA

County of PINELLAS

I do solemnly swear (or affirm) that I will support, protect, and defend the Constitution and Government of the United States and of the State of Florida; that I am duly qualified to hold office under the Constitution of the State, and that I will well and faithfully perform the duties of

BOARD TRUSTEE - ST. PETERSBURG COLLEGE

(Full Name of Office - Abbreviations Not Accepted)

on which I am now about to enter, so help me God.

[NOTE: If you affirm, you may omit the words "so help me God." See § 92.52, Fla. Stat.]

Signature M. B. Franz

Sworn to and subscribed before me by means of physical presence ☒ OR online notarization ☐
this 13th day of January, 2026.

Alicia B. Conley

Signature of Officer Administering Oath or of Notary Public

(To be completed only by judges administering oath - see § 92.50, Florida Statutes.)

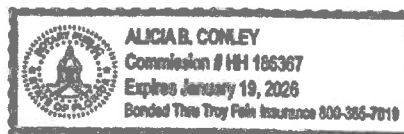
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Court

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Affix Seal Below



Personally Known ☒ OR Produced Identification ☐

Type of Identification Produced _____

ACCEPTANCE

I accept the office listed in the above Oath of Office.

Mailing Address: Home ☒ Office ☐

3053 LEANNE CT
Street or Post Office Box

CLEARWATER, FL 33759
City, State, Zip Code

RICHARD B. FRANZ III
Print Name

M. B. Franz
Signature

3040

**STATE OF FLORIDA
DEPARTMENT OF STATE
Division of Elections**

I, Cord Byrd, Secretary of State,
do hereby certify that

Clarence S. Moore

is duly appointed a member of the

**Board of Trustees,
University of North Florida**

for a term beginning on the Seventh day of January, A.D., 2026,
until the Sixth day of January, A.D., 2031 and is subject to be
confirmed by the Senate during the next regular session of the
Legislature.

*Given under my hand and the Great Seal of the
State of Florida, at Tallahassee, the Capital, this
the Twenty-Third day of December, A.D. 2025*



Secretary of State



Florida Board of Governors
State University System of Florida
325 West Gaines Street, Suite 1614
Tallahassee, FL 32399
Phone 850.245.0466
Fax: 850.245.9685
www.flbog.edu

MEMORANDUM

TO: Chris Kimball

FROM: Shannon McDermott
Director, University Trustee Relations

DATE: December 12, 2025

RE: Appointments to the University Boards of Trustees by the Florida Board of Governors

This is to advise you that the Board of Governors made the following appointment to the University Boards of Trustees, on December 12, 2025.

To the University of Central Florida Board of Trustees:

- Mr. Mark Filburn was reappointed for a term that begins on January 7, 2026, and ends on January 6, 2031.
- Mr. Alan Florez was appointed to Tiffany Altizer's seat for a term that begins on January 7, 2026, and ends on January 6, 2031.

To the Florida Gulf Coast University Board of Trustees:

- Ms. Sandra "Sandy" Stilwell Youngquist was appointed to Joe Fogg's seat for a term that begins on January 7, 2026, and ends on January 6, 2031.
- Ms. Sarah Perry was appointed to Edward Morton's seat for a term that begins on December 12, 2025, and ends on January 6, 2030.
- Mr. Robert "Bob" Rommel was appointed to Leo Montgomery's seat for a term that begins on January 7, 2026, and ends on January 6, 2031.

To the University of South Florida Board of Trustees:

- Mr. Fedderick "Fred" Piccolo was appointed to Sandra Callahan's seat for a term that begins on December 12, 2025, and ends on January 6, 2030.
- Ms. Nancy Watkins was appointed to Melissa Sexias seat for a term that begins on January 7, 2026, and ends on January 6, 2031.
- Ms. Andrea Gonzmart Williams was appointed to Shilen Patel's seat for a term that begins on January 7, 2026, and ends on January 6, 2031.

To the University of North Florida Board of Trustees:

December 12, 2025
Page 2 of 2

- Mr. Steve Moore was reappointed to Paul McElroy's seat for a term that begins on January 7, 2026, and ends on January 6, 2031. *Mr. Moore was a Gubernatorial appointee and is now a BOG appointee.*

To the Florida Agricultural and Mechanical University Board of Trustees:

- Mr. Victor Young was appointed to Kristin Harper's seat for a term that begins on January 7, 2026, and ends on January 6, 2031.
- Mr. Prerak Shah was appointed to Craig Reed's seat for a term that begins on January 7, 2026, and ends on January 6, 2031.

To the Florida Polytechnic University Board of Trustees:

- Mr. Rob Kincart was appointed to Lyn Stanfield's seat for a term that begins on December 12, 2025, and ends on July 15, 2030.

To the Florida International University Board of Trustees:

- Ms. Tila Falic Levi was appointed to Chanel Rowe's seat for a term that begins on January 7, 2026, and ends on January 6, 2031.

Attached are copies of the appointment letters sent to the new appointees from Chancellor Ray Rodrigues.

Thank you for your assistance in processing these appointments for their Senate confirmation. Please call me if you need additional information.

Enclosures

Hand Delivered

OFFICE OF THE
BOARD OF GOVERNORS
STATE UNIVERSITY
SYSTEMS OF FLORIDA

OATH OF OFFICE

(Art. II, § 5(b), Fla. Const.)

2025 DEC 17 PM 2:26
2025 DEC 17 PM 3:47

STATE OF FLORIDA

County of Duval

DIVISION OF ELECTIONS
TALLAHASSEE, FL

I do solemnly swear (or affirm) that I will support, protect, and defend the Constitution and Government of the United States and of the State of Florida; that I am duly qualified to hold office under the Constitution of the State, and that I will well and faithfully perform the duties of

Trustee of The University of North Florida

(Full Name of Office – Abbreviations Not Accepted)

on which I am now about to enter, so help me God.

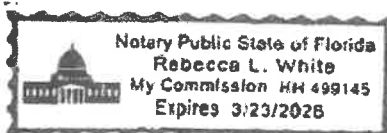
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Clarence S. Moore
Signature

(Affix Seal Below)

Sworn to and subscribed before me by means of ☒ physical presence

Or ☐ online notarization this 16th day of December, 2025.



Rebecca L. White
Signature of Officer Administering Oath or of Notary Public

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ACCEPTANCE

I accept the office listed in the above Oath of Office.

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APPEARANCE RECORD

Deliver both copies of this form to
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Bill Number or Topic

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Amendment Barcode (if applicable)

Meeting Date

2/4/2026

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S-001 (08/10/2021)

CourtSmart Tag Report

Room: SB 110
Caption: Senate Appropriations Committee Higher Education

Case No.:

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Started: 2/4/2026 3:47:42 PM
Ends: 2/4/2026 4:54:58 PM **Length:** 01:07:17

3:47:46 PM	Called to Order by Chair Harrell
3:48:41 PM	Roll Call
3:49:39 PM	Tab 3 - SB1246
3:49:50 PM	Senator Davis Explains the Bill
3:51:36 PM	Amendment 943756
3:51:45 PM	Senator Davis Explains Amendment
3:52:00 PM	Questions on Amendment
3:52:11 PM	Debate on Amendment
3:52:20 PM	Vote on Amendment
3:52:28 PM	Questions on Bill
3:53:06 PM	David Mica, Florida Hospital Association
3:54:22 PM	Waives Read Into Record
3:54:22 PM	Tom Griffin, College of Central Florida waives in support
3:54:22 PM	Taylor Mejia Roberts, Florida State College at Jacksonville waives in support
3:54:22 PM	Carolyn Johnson, Florida Chamber of Commerce, waives speaking in support
3:54:35 PM	Debate on Bill
3:55:12 PM	Senator Davis Closes on the Bill
3:55:46 PM	Roll Call on SB1246
3:56:30 PM	Tab 2 - SB720 / TP
3:59:12 PM	Tab 4 - Christopher Campbell, Chipola College Appointee
3:59:23 PM	Appointee Sworn In
4:00:52 PM	Tab 5 - Joseph Shuler, Chipola College Appointee
4:01:00 PM	Appointee Sworn In
4:03:36 PM	Tab 7 - Robert A. Reiff, Chipola College Appointee
4:03:47 PM	Appointee Sworn In
4:06:18 PM	Tab 8 - Joel F. Paul, Chipola College Reappointed
4:06:27 PM	Appointee Sworn In
4:10:21 PM	Chair Harrell
4:10:28 PM	Mr. Paul
4:10:47 PM	Senator Calatayud
4:11:45 PM	Tab 15 - Karen B. Moore, Tallahassee State College Appointee
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4:16:48 PM	Tab 13 - Troy Tippet, Pensacola State College Appointee
4:16:54 PM	Appointee Sworn In
4:26:36 PM	Tab 10 - Stacy L. Plean, Palm Beach State College Appointee
4:26:43 PM	Appointee Sworn In
4:29:41 PM	Tab 11 - Marilyn Pearson-Adams, Pasco-Hernando State College Appointee
4:29:46 PM	Appointee Sworn In
4:35:25 PM	Tab 12 - Daniel Epstein, Palm Beach State College Appointee
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4:39:11 PM	Tab 12 - Toni Zetzche, Pasco-Hernando State College Appointee
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4:44:08 PM	Tab 14 - Richard B. Franz, St. Petersburg College Appointee
4:44:20 PM	Appointee Sworn In
4:47:48 PM	Tab 6 - Daniel E. Ryals, Chipola College Appointee
4:48:15 PM	Appointee Sworn In
4:53:56 PM	Roll Call on Appointees (Tabs 4-14)
4:54:36 PM	Votes after Roll Call
4:54:51 PM	Adjourned