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MEMORANDUM

TO: Florida College System Presidents
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FROM: Kathryn S. Hebda, Chancellor, Florida College System
Kevin O'Farrell, Chancellor, Career, Technical and Adult Education

DATE: July 12, 2022

SUBJECT: Nominations for Statewide Workgroup on Law Enforcement Training

House Bill (HB) 3 created section 1004.098, Florida Statutes, requiring the Board of Governors (BOG) and the State Board of Education (SBOE) to adopt regulations and rules to create a process to allow eligible law enforcement officers or former law enforcement officers to earn postsecondary credit, which would be uniform across all Florida public postsecondary educational institutions, for college-level training and education acquired while serving as a law enforcement officer.

HB 3 established September 1, 2022, as the date by which the Articulation Coordinating Committee (ACC) must convene a 14-member workgroup to develop a process for determining equivalencies. To that end, the Florida Department of Education is accepting nominations for Florida College System (FCS) and district technical college institutional representatives to serve. You are invited to nominate academic affairs administrators and faculty members to serve on this workgroup. Self-nominations are also acceptable. **Nominations are due on or before July 29, 2022.**

Please complete the form found at this link to submit your nominations:
<https://www.research.net/r/lawenforcementnominations>.

When considering nominees, experience with developing or implementing credit for prior learning policies and practices is required. Experience with law enforcement training and evaluating training is preferred. Please note: once this 14-member workgroup finalizes the process, the workgroup will be dissolved and replaced by additional workgroups that will recommend uniform equivalencies.

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Workgroup Structure

The workgroup will be composed of the chair of the ACC or their designee, who shall serve as chair of the workgroup, four members representing academic affairs administrators and faculty from state universities, four members representing academic affairs administrators and faculty from FCS institutions, two members representing faculty from career centers, and a representative from the Florida Sheriffs Association, the Florida Police Chiefs Association, and the Criminal Justice Standards and Training Commission.

Workgroup Process and Timeline

This workgroup will convene periodically from late August through September of 2022, to establish a process for prioritizing and determining postsecondary course equivalencies and the minimum postsecondary credit or career education clock hours that must be awarded for law enforcement training and experience. As required in HB 3, the workgroup shall provide recommendations to the BOG and the SBOE by March 1, 2023. A copy of the bill is attached for reference.

Please contact Abbey Ivey, Assistant Vice Chancellor for Articulation, at Abbey.Ivey@fldoe.org if you have questions.

Thank you for your consideration.

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Attachment

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