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Comprehensive Review Process

Coordinating Board for Higher Education

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BACKGROUND

SB 807/577 (2018) created a comprehensive review process by which public colleges and universities can ask the Coordinating Board for Higher Education to grant them authority to offer a degree outside an institution's CBHE-approved mission. The first group of those proposals were received in July 2019. Department of Higher Education and Workforce Development (DHEWD) staff have sought input on how to improve the comprehensive review process.

CURRENT STATUS

Currently, DHEWD staff are collecting input from stakeholders, including institution presidents and chancellors and chief academic officers, to determine a more effective means of presenting comprehensive review proposals at CBHE meetings. Department staff are also researching best practices in other states. Once this review is complete, DHEWD staff will meet with chief academic officers during the spring and summer to review the information and make determinations on how to move forward.

NEXT STEPS

Due to the timeline for the next review cycle and to ensure that necessary time is given to the review and subsequent recommendations, the next steps are twofold:

- **Comprehensive review presentations at CBHE meetings:** After collecting and compiling information this spring, staff will work with chief academic officers to develop recommendations for presenting comprehensive review proposals at CBHE meetings. Staff will advise institutions of the changes in late summer/early fall to ensure all parties know the presentation format for future CBHE meetings. Any process changes will be presented to the CBHE at the September meeting.
- **Comprehensive review policy:** Staff will continue to follow current policies this year. Feedback will be collected in the fall to determine if the policy needs to be revised.

RECOMMENDATION

This is an information item only.

NO ATTACHMENTS