

Senate Bill No. 234

An act relating to state university presidents; amending ss. 1001.706 and 1001.74, F.S.; revising powers and duties of the Board of Governors and university boards of trustees relating to personnel; providing that a state university president is not subject to the personnel program established by the Board of Governors; requiring that a board of trustees appoint the university president and administer a personnel program for the president; providing an effective date.

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

Section 1. Paragraph (a) of subsection (5) of section 1001.706, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

1001.706 Powers and duties of the Board of Governors.—

(5) POWERS AND DUTIES RELATING TO PERSONNEL.—

(a) The Board of Governors, or the board's designee, shall establish the personnel program for all employees of a state university except, ~~including~~ the president.

Section 2. Subsection (5) of section 1001.74, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

1001.74 Powers and duties of university boards of trustees.—

(5) POWERS AND DUTIES RELATING TO PERSONNEL.—

(a) To the extent delegated by the Board of Governors pursuant to s. 1001.706, each board of trustees shall establish the personnel program for all employees of the university except, ~~including~~ the president.

(b) Each board of trustees shall appoint a university president and administer a personnel program for the president.

(c)(b) The Department of Management Services shall retain authority over state university employees for programs established in ss. 110.123, 110.1232, 110.1234, 110.1238, and 110.161 and in chapters 121, 122, and 238. Unless specifically authorized by law, neither the Board of Governors nor a state university may offer group insurance programs for employees as a substitute for or as an alternative to the health insurance programs offered pursuant to chapter 110.

(d)(e) Except as otherwise provided by law, university employees are public employees for purposes of chapter 112 and the payment for travel and per diem shall not exceed the level specified in s. 112.061.

Section 3. This act shall take effect July 1, 2009.

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