

CHAPTER 2016-32

Senate Bill No. 576

An act relating to public educational facilities; amending s. 1013.40, F.S.; authorizing certain Florida College System institutions to construct dormitories for up to 300 beds for students; prohibiting the use of state funds and tuition and fee revenues for construction, debt service payments, maintenance, or operation of such dormitories; prohibiting additional beds constructed after a specified date from being financed through a bond issue; providing an effective date.

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

Section 1. Subsection (4) of section 1013.40, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

1013.40 Planning and construction of Florida College System institution facilities; property acquisition.—

(4) The campus of a Florida College System institution within a municipality designated as an area of critical state concern, as defined in s. 380.05, and having a comprehensive plan and land development regulations containing a building permit allocation system that limits annual growth, may construct dormitories for up to ~~300~~ 100 beds for Florida College System institution students. Such dormitories are ~~shall be~~ exempt from the building permit allocation system and may be constructed up to 45 feet in height if the dormitories ~~provided that they~~ are otherwise consistent with the comprehensive plan, the Florida College System institution has a hurricane evacuation plan that requires all dormitory occupants to be evacuated 48 hours in advance of tropical force winds, and ~~that transportation is provided for dormitory occupants during an evacuation.~~ State funds and tuition and fee revenues may not be used for construction, debt service payments, maintenance, or operation of such dormitories. Additional dormitory beds constructed after July 1, 2016, may not be financed through the issuance of a bond.

Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2016.

Approved by the Governor March 9, 2016.

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