

July 10, 2025

ITEM 219-101-R0725

Request for Approval to Revise Board of Regents Policies 205.4, 301, 502.1, 711.2, 910.1, 940.13, and 940.31

THAT

The Montana Board of Regents approves amendments to BOR Policies 205.4, 301, 502.1, 711.2, 910.1, 940.13, and 940.31 to align the policies with current best practices and regulatory requirements.

EXPLANATION

In November 2024, the Board amended BOR Policy 203.3.3 to include a process and calendar for reviewing board policies. As part of that review, these proposed changes were recommended. The proposed changes would: (1) increase the dollar amount that determines when hospitality expenditures must receive prior approval from President/Chancellor and/or designee; (2) clarify when campuses may exempt students from certain admissions requirements; (3) require a transparent appeals process for housing exemptions; (4) modify the type of contract under which deputy commissioners are hired; (5) align the deadline for community college districts to submit annual operating budgets to the Board with statute; (6) modify eligibility requirements for the American Indian tuition waiver; and (7) change how campuses may set tuition rates for non-resident graduate students who are employed as teaching and research assistants.

ATTACHMENTS

Attachment #1: Revised BOR Policies 205.4, 301, 502.1, 711.2, 910.1, 940.13, and 940.31