AMENDMENTS TO IOWA ADMINISTRATIVE CODE

Action Requested: Consider authorizing Executive Director to file appropriate documents for Notice of Intended Action to amend section 681 of the Iowa Administrative Code.

Executive Summary: The proposed amendments to Iowa Administrative Code §681, Chapters 6, 8, 9, 10, and 17, consist of updates to Code references, deletions of outdated sections, changes and/or additions to text as a result of Code changes or updated business processes. A summary of proposed additions, deletions, and modifications is shown below. Details of all proposed changes to the Administrative Code are available in the Regent Exhibit Book.

If authorized by the Board, the Notice of Intended Action will be filed on February 10, 2006. The filing of the notice will open a period of public comment which will end on March 21, 2006. The form to certify adoption of the rule amendments will be filed with the Code Editor subsequent to Board approval at the May 3-4, 2006 Board meeting.

Proposed addition to the Iowa Administrative Code includes:

- Inclusion of project/construction management systems and facilities and maintenance information systems as record systems maintained by Iowa State University

Proposed deletions to the Iowa Administrative Code include:

- South Africa divestiture
- Requirements to the purchase of equipment funded by academic revenue bond proceeds
- Purchase of coal
- Estimated cost exceeding $25,000 – eliminates need for public hearings for construction, improvements, or repairs on buildings that exceed $25,000
- Chapter 6 – Admission of Patients (indigent patient care program at UIHC)

Proposed modifications to the Iowa Administrative Code include:

- Update requirements when purchasing goods/services from a Regent employee due to Code change
- Update the minimum number of participating employees insurance companies must enroll to qualify for payroll deduction from 250 to 500 due to Code change
- Removes the requirement that universities return bid bonds within 48 hours after the bid opening