

January 5, 2020

**ITEM 192-103-R0121**

**Request for Authorization to Revise BOR Policy 507 – Title IX**

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**THAT**

The Montana Board of Regents adopts the recommended revisions to Board of Regents Policy 507.

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**EXPLANATION**

The Board's Title IX Policy was adopted in 2012 in response to a significant guidance document issued by the U.S. Department of Education (Department) in 2011. The guidance document has since been repealed and the Department has adopted formal regulations implementing Title IX. The new regulations recalibrated Title IX requirements by both expanding and contracting upon the Department's previous guidance. As a result, the OCHE legal office recommends the Board repeal and replace Policy 507 with the modifications set forth in Attachment #1. These modifications would streamline the Board's policy and require MUS campuses to follow policies and procedures adopted by the Commissioner of Higher Education. Further, this approach would ensure consistency across each of the MUS campuses and allow modifications to be made quickly as a new administration considers whether to repeal, replace, or revise the previous administration's Title IX regulations.

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**ATTACHMENTS**

Attachment #1 – Proposed Changes to BOR Policy 507.