



TOPIC: Towson University: De-authorize the Use of Auxiliary Revenue Bonds and Increase Cash Funding for the Renovation and Conversion of the Ward and West Halls

COMMITTEE: Finance

DATE OF MEETING: September 1, 2011

SUMMARY: The Board of Regents approved in FY 2009 the use of \$6.6 million in auxiliary revenue bonds and \$3.9 million in institutional funds in FY 2012 for the renovation and conversion of the Ward and West residence halls into a health and counseling center. This conversion will change the status of these buildings from auxiliary use to State use. As such the proposed work is not eligible for auxiliary bond funding. Therefore, the University requests the previously approved auxiliary bond authorization be de-authorized and approve for the University to use institutional funds for the entire \$10.5 million project cost.

ALTERNATIVES: This project is not included in the FY 2013 – FY 2017 Capital Improvement Program. The health and counseling center is much needed to support the campus community. Without institutional funding this conversion would be significantly delayed.

FISCAL IMPACT: De-authorization of the previously approved auxiliary bond authorization would increase the institutional funding for this project from \$3.9 million to \$10.5 million.

CHANCELLOR'S RECOMMENDATION: That the Finance Committee recommends that the Board of Regents approve for Towson University the de-authorization of \$6.6 million in auxiliary bond authorization previously approved by the Board of Regents and those funds be replaced with \$6.6 million from institutional funds for a total of \$10.5 million for the renovation and conversion of the Ward and West residence halls into a health and counseling center.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

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