ALABAMA COMMISSION ON HIGHER EDUCATION (Institutional Finance and Facilities, Institutional Research, and Instruction)

NOTICE OF INTENDED ACTION

AGENCY NAME: Alabama Commission on Higher Education

RULE NO. & TITLE: Rule 300-2-3-.04

Policy on Distance Education

INTENDED ACTION: The Alabama Commission on Higher Education proposes a new rule, 300-2-3-.04.

<u>SUBSTANCE OF PROPOSED ACTION:</u> The Alabama Commission on Higher Education proposes a new rule, 300-2-3-.04, Policy on Distance Education. The growth of the utilization by public colleges and universities of distance education as a mean of providing instruction has necessitated the creation of this policy, which was approved by the Commission on June 22, 2007. The policy defines distance education in agreement with definitions of regional and national accrediting agencies and provides guidelines on how students enrolled in distance education courses and programs are to be counted for various reports that are the Commission's responsibility.

TIME, PLACE, MANNER OF PRESENTING VIEWS: Persons wishing to present views on this amendment may present oral or written comments until 5:00 P.M. on Tuesday, September 4, 2007. Comments should be directed to Tim Vick, Director of Operations and Fiscal Services, Alabama Commission on Higher Education, P.O. Box 302000, Montgomery, AL 36130-2000.

FINAL DATE FOR COMMENT AND COMPLETION OF NOTICE: September 4, 2007

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