

**Referral - AC0708ref-3, Posting of Faculty Information as Required by SB389** to the Standing Committees for (i) Academic Freedom and Standards and (ii) Personnel

The above committees are requested to (1) become familiar with the language of SB389 especially as it relates to section 173.1004 which includes the posting of faculty information; (2) observe the evolution of the coordinating board (and/or the Department of Higher Education), state institutions, and the University of Missouri as they interpret the language in the Bill and plan for compliance; and (3) advise the Provost and Vice Provost for Academic Affairs if appropriate; and (4) report to Academic Council on the status of these items as appropriate.

Attached is the full SB389. In SB389 is the following section:

173.1004. The coordinating board shall promulgate rules and regulations to ensure that each approved public higher education institution shall post on its website the names of all faculty, including adjunct, part-time, and full-time faculty, who are given full or partial teaching assignments along with web links or other means of providing information about their academic credentials and, where feasible, instructor ratings by students. In addition, public institutions of higher education shall post course schedules on their websites that include the name of the instructor assigned to each course and, if applicable, each section of a course, as well as identifying those instructors who are teaching assistants, provided that the institution may modify and update the identity of instructors as courses and sections are added or cancelled.

As usual, RP&A will appreciate being informed about progress on this issue.

As a result of the Committees and an Ad-Hoc Committee chaired by Steve Raper, the FS adopted a set of questions to be used for “Consumer Information” at its meeting of 17 April 2008.

Status: Closed 20 June 08 (Although the Committees are encouraged to continue to monitor activities relative to SB389.)