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Abstract: Provides that the postsecondary education management boards, rather than the Bd. of Regents, control student admission standards at public colleges and universities.

<u>Present constitution</u> creates the Bd. of Regents to plan, coordinate, and have budgetary responsibility for all public postsecondary education. Specifically requires the board to formulate a master plan which is to include a formula for equitable distribution of funds to colleges and universities. <u>Proposed constitutional amendments</u> provides that the master plan shall not require nor shall the formula make the distribution of funds contingent on use of specific student admission standards.

<u>Present constitution</u> provides that powers of management over public colleges and universities not specifically vested in the Bd. of Regents are reserved to the management boards. <u>Proposed constitutional amendment</u> provides that the authority to set admission standards is a power reserved to the management boards.

Provides for submission of the proposed amendment to the voters at the statewide election to be held October 24, 2015.

(Amends Const. Art. VIII, §5(D)(4))