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The Louisiana Student Financial Assistance Commission, at its meeting held on March 11, 2013, approved Emergency Rules for the GO Grant Program and Notice of Intent to make the rules permanent.

The Board of Regents has previously released a new GO Grant framework that provides guidance for the 2013-14 school year. The new framework provides more autonomy to the campuses. To facilitate the administration of the new framework and to minimize the need for revisions to the rules for future frameworks, the GO Grant rules have been revised to address areas that remain unchanged from year to year and generalize the remainder of the rules to allow flexibility for those areas that do not.

The rules have required colleges and universities to “have and follow a written policy describing that institution’s procedures for selecting students for payment of a GO Grant.” The proposed rulemaking expands this by requiring a GO Grant Packaging Policy based on specified content. This packaging policy will ensure that the framework requirements are met and serve as an audit mechanism for review of GO Grant awards at the campus level.

See Emergency Rule at http://www.osfa.la.gov/MainSitePDFs/policy4_SG13144E.pdf.

See Notice of Intent http://www.osfa.la.gov/MainSitePDFs/policy4_SG13144NI.pdf.

NOTE: The emergency rules now allow colleges and universities to award GO Grant to students who enrolled as a first time freshman prior to the 2007-08 academic year.

The GO Grant framework for 2013-14 was released January 29, 2013, S2013-01. It can be found at <http://www.osfa.la.gov/MainSitePDFs/S2013-01.pdf>.

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