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| POLICY NAME:     | <b>215.01: Alabama Community College System Lobbying Activities</b> |
| EFFECTIVE:       | 03-24-05  |
| SUPERSEDES:      | 215.01 issued 07-08-97; 08-22-96                                    |
| SOURCE:          | <i>Code of Alabama 16-60-111.5</i>                                  |
| CROSS REFERENCE: |   |

1. The State Board of Education expressly prohibits any institution under its authority, direction, and control from paying with state funds for the services of a lobbyist on a contract or consulting basis. Any institutional employee engaging in such activities must act in a manner consistent with the expressed intent of the State Board of Education and in accordance with the Board's stated legislative purpose(s).
2. The Chancellor shall coordinate all lobbying activities for the Alabama Community College System. This policy does not prohibit the Alabama Department of Postsecondary Education from employing individuals, as employees of the Department, to act in the capacity of liaison with state, federal, and other governmental entities on behalf of the Alabama Community College System and the State Board of Education.
3. System employees whose responsibilities include lobbying and who are acting as representatives of the Alabama Community College System shall restrict their activities to attempting to influence legislation in a manner consistent with State Board of Education policies, expressed intent and stated legislative purpose(s) of the State Board of Education, directives of the Chancellor, and mission statements of the Alabama Community College System as a whole and/or an institution in particular.
4. System employees who lobby as institutional or System representatives are prohibited from engaging in their official capacities in fund-raising activities for candidates for public office, including the solicitation and donation of funds or services for campaign contributions or the payment of campaign debts.
5. This policy is not intended to, nor should it be construed to, abridge, violate, or in any way interfere with the constitutional rights of any System employee.