

BOARD OF HIGHER EDUCATION

REQUEST FOR BOARD ACTION

NO.: BHE 26-69

BOARD DATE: June 26, 2026

DELEGATION OF SUMMER AUTHORITY TO THE COMMISSIONER

MOVED: The Board of Higher Education (Board) delegates to the Commissioner, ex officio, until the next regularly scheduled meeting of the Board its authority to take such action, in consultation with and upon the advice of the Chair or Vice Chair of the Board, as is deemed necessary or desirable. The Commissioner shall report back to the Board on his exercise of this delegated authority.

VOTED: Motion adopted by the BHE on 6/26/2026.

Authority: Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 15A, Section 6

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Background

The Board of Higher Education's (BHE) enabling legislation, provides that the BHE may "delegate its authority or any portion thereof" to the Commissioner whenever in its judgment such delegation may be necessary or desirable." M.G.L. c. 15A, section 6.