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MEMORANDUM

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TO: Presidents and Chancellors,
Texas Public Institutions of Higher Education

FROM: Susan E. Brown

SUBJECT: Public Funds Investment Act

This is a reminder that those institutions subject to the Public Funds Investment Act (*Government Code, Chapter 2256.007*) are required to ensure that all regents and trustees receive training on the Act within six months of their appointments and that investment officers receive at least five hours of training every two years. For the purposes of this act, community colleges are considered to be state agencies.

Training for Board members may be accomplished by viewing a videotape or DVD prepared for that purpose. We have entered into an agreement with the University of North Texas to provide copies of the tape or DVD for $40 each. The University of North Texas Center for Public Management will also offer training for investment officers. Workshops are scheduled across the state on various dates. To order the video or for the training schedule, you may visit their website at http://pacs.unt.edu/cpm/content/pfia-requirements or contact Mr. Patrick Shinkle or Emily Brown at the following address:

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