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Purchase Trailers, FAMU Told

GAINESVILLE (AP) — Florida A and M President Benjamin Perry complained to the State Board of Regents last week that FAMU is "barfing at the seams" this year because of a student housing shortage.

The Regents suggested he consider buying used mobile homes as an emergency measure.

"We have students in the halls and three or four to the dormitory room," Perry said.

"This has become acute the

The head of the predominantly black institution also said his students had found "a negative climate for housing black students" in the Tallahassee community."

"With rents at \$200 to \$250 for apartments, it's a little impossible for students to manage," he said.

Regent Chester Ferguson of Tampa said, strictly as a temporary solution, Perry should "put out the word" that the school was in the market for used trailers costing \$1,000 to \$1,500 or less.

Students could be housed at a monthly cost of \$75 to \$100 per trailer, he said.