

Stricken language would be deleted from and underlined language would be added to the law as it existed  
prior to this session of the General Assembly.  
**Act 1199 of the Regular Session**

1 State of Arkansas  
2 86th General Assembly  
3 Regular Session, 2007  
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# A Bill

HOUSE BILL 2310

5 By: Representatives Allen, E. Brown, Chesterfield, Blount, W. Lewellen, Hardy, Davis, S. Dobbins  
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## For An Act To Be Entitled

9 AN ACT TO REQUIRE THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION TO  
10 MONITOR COMPLIANCE WITH THE FREE TEXTBOOK ACT;  
11 AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.  
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## Subtitle

13 AN ACT TO REQUIRE THE DEPARTMENT OF  
14 EDUCATION TO MONITOR COMPLIANCE WITH THE  
15 FREE TEXTBOOK ACT.  
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19 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:  
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21 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 6-21-403 is amended to read as follows:

22 6-21-403. Requirements generally.

23 (a) Public school districts shall provide textbooks and other  
24 instructional materials for all pupils attending the public schools of this  
25 state in grades kindergarten through twelve (K-12), inclusive, in all  
26 subjects taught in those grades, without cost to the pupils.

27 (b) School districts may select their own textbooks or instructional  
28 materials, or districts may select from the recommended state-approved list.

29 (c) Any materials purchased with state funds shall be consistent with  
30 the curriculum and educational goals established by the State Board of  
31 Education.

32 (d)(1) The Department of Education shall monitor public school  
33 districts to ensure compliance with this section.

34 (2) The state board may promulgate rules necessary to ensure  
35 compliance with this section.



(e) On or before November 1 of each year, the department shall report to the House and Senate Interim Committees on Education all public school districts that have not complied with this section.

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