

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.

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1 State of Arkansas

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3 Regular Session, 2007

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5 By: Senators Madison, *Salmon*

6 By: Representatives Harrelson, Greenberg, Burris

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9 **For An Act To Be Entitled**

10 *AN ACT TO REGULATE STATE-SUPPORTED INSTITUTION OF*
11 *HIGHER EDUCATION TEXTBOOKS SALES; TO REQUIRE*
12 *PROMPT NOTICE OF THE ADOPTION OF TEXTBOOKS AND*
13 *COURSE MATERIALS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.*

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15 **Subtitle**

16 *TO REGULATE STATE-SUPPORTED INSTITUTION*
17 *OF HIGHER EDUCATION TEXTBOOK SALES AND*
18 *TO REQUIRE PROMPT NOTICE OF THE ADOPTION*
19 *OF TEXTBOOKS AND COURSE MATERIALS.*

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22 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:

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24 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code Title 6, Chapter 60 is amended to add an
25 additional subchapter to read as follows:

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27 SUBCHAPTER 6 – TEXTBOOKS AND COURSE MATERIALS

28 6-60-601. Adoption of textbooks and course materials.

29 (a)(1) For each full semester and collectively for summer sessions, a
30 state-supported institution of higher education in this state shall
31 distribute a list of all textbooks and course materials required or assigned
32 for an undergraduate course by:

33 (A) Publication on its website; and

34 (B) Posting at its bookstore.

35 (2) The list shall be distributed no later than noon on:



- 1 (A) April 1 for the following fall semester;
- 2 (B) November 1 for the following spring semester; and
- 3 (C) April 1 for all following summer sessions.

4 (b) For each textbook or course material the list shall include:

- 5 (1) A brief description of the textbook or course material;
- 6 (2) The author or authors;
- 7 (3) The title and edition; and
- 8 (4) Any special instructions or circumstances for the purchase
- 9 or use of the textbook or course material.

10 (c) A textbook or course material for an undergraduate course may be
11 adopted after the time specified in subsection (a) of this section for
12 distributing the list if:

13 (1) The adoption is approved by the department chair and
14 the dean or division head of the affected college; and

15 (2) The dean or division head of the college forwards to
16 the chief academic officer of the affected state-supported institution of
17 higher education the following information:

18 (A) A list of each late adoption;

19 (B) The names of the person or persons responsible
20 for each late adoption; and

21 (C) A written statement explaining why each adoption
22 was late.

24 */s/ Madison*

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