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.

State of Arkansas
85th General Assembly

## A Bill

Regular Session, 2005
HOUSE BILL 2550

By: Representative Flowers

## For An Act To Be Entitled

an act to require school districts to use the SAME TEXTBOOKS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

## Subtitle

AN ACT TO REQUIRE SCHOOL DISTRICTS TO USE THE SAME TEXTBOOKS.

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

SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 6-21-403 is amended to read as follows:
6-21-403. Requirements generally.
(a) Public school districts shall provide textbooks and other instructional materials for all pupils attending the public schools of this state in grades kindergarten through twelve (K-12), inclusive, in all subjects taught in those grades, without cost to the pupils.
(b)(l) School districts may select their own textbooks or instructional materials, or districts may select from the recommended stateapproved list.
(2) Beginning with the 2006-2007 school year, when purchasing a new textbook for any subject or grade, all school districts shall purchase a textbook from the state-approved textbook list.
(3) On or before July 1, 2006, the State Board of Education shall adopt a single state-approved textbook list that provides no more than one (l) textbook for each subject and grade level course taught in an Arkansas public school.
(c) Any materials purchased with state funds shall be consistent with the curriculum and educational goals established by the State Board of

