

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.

1 State of Arkansas
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A Bill

SENATE BILL 24

5 By: Senator Madison
6 By: Representatives Harrelson, Greenberg, Burris
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For An Act To Be Entitled

10 AN ACT TO REGULATE STATE-SUPPORTED COLLEGE AND
11 UNIVERSITY TEXTBOOK SALES; TO REQUIRE PROMPT
12 NOTICE OF THE ADOPTION OF TEXTBOOKS AND COURSE
13 MATERIALS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.
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Subtitle

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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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SUBCHAPTER 6 – TEXTBOOKS AND COURSE MATERIALS

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

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

36 (A) April 1 for the following fall semester;



1 (B) November 1 for the following spring semester; and

2 (C) April 1 for all following summer sessions.

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

4 (1) A brief description of the textbook or course material;

5 (2) The author or authors;

6 (3) The title and edition; and

7 (4) Any special instructions or circumstances for the purchase
8 or use of the textbook or course material.

9 (c) Except as provided in subsection (d) of this section, if a state-
10 supported college or university in this state fails to comply with this
11 section, the textbook or course material last used for a course shall be used
12 until the college or university timely complies with this section.

13 (d)(1) A textbook or course material for an undergraduate course may
14 be adopted after the time specified in subsection (a) of this section for
15 distributing the list if:

16 (A) The adoption is approved by the department chair and
17 the dean of the affected college; and

18 (B) The dean of the college forwards to the chancellor of
19 the affected state-supported college or university the following information:

20 (i) A list of each late adoption;

21 (ii) The names of the person or persons responsible
22 for each late adoption; and

23 (iii) A written statement explaining why each
24 adoption was late.

25 (2) The chancellor of the state-supported college or university
26 shall send the information to the:

27 (A) Department of Higher Education; and

28 (B)(i) President Pro Tempore of the Senate and Speaker of
29 the House of Representatives during a regular or special session of the
30 General Assembly; or

31 (ii) Legislative Council when the General Assembly
32 is not in session.