

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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A Bill

SENATE BILL 24

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

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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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Subtitle

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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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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 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:

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

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

14 (B) The dean of the college forwards to the chancellor of
 15 the affected state-supported institution of higher education the following
 16 information:

- 17 (i) A list of each late adoption;
 18 (ii) The names of the person or persons responsible
 19 for each late adoption; and
 20 (iii) A written statement explaining why each
 21 adoption was late.

22 (2) The chancellor of the state-supported institution of higher
 23 education shall send the information to the:

- 24 (A) Chief academic officer of the institution;
 25 (B) Chief legal counsel of the institution; and
 26 (C) Legislative Council.

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/s/ Madison