## 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.

I	State of Arkansas
2	86th General Assembly A Bill
3	Regular Session, 2007 SENATE BILL 25
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5	By: Senators Madison, Salmon
6	By: Representatives Harrelson, Burris
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9	For An Act To Be Entitled
10	AN ACT TO REGULATE THE SELECTION AND USE OF
11	TEXTBOOKS AND COURSE MATERIALS AT STATE-SUPPORTED
12	INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION; TO PROHIBIT
13	CERTAIN CUSTOMIZED TEXTBOOKS AND COURSE
14	MATERIALS; TO MINIMIZE THE COST OF TEXTBOOKS AND
15	COURSE MATERIALS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.
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17	Subtitle
18	TO REGULATE THE SELECTION AND USE OF
19	TEXTBOOKS AND COURSE MATERIALS AND TO
20	PROHIBIT CERTAIN CUSTOMIZED TEXTBOOKS
21	AND COURSE MATERIALS AT STATE-SUPPORTED
22	INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION.
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25	BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:
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27	SECTION 1. Arkansas Code Title 6, Chapter 60, is amended to add an
28	additional subchapter to read as follows:
29	Subchapter 6 — Textbooks and course materials
30	6-60-601. Customized textbooks and course materials prohibited.
31	(a)(1) As used in this section, "customized textbook or course
32	material" means an undergraduate textbook or course material that contains
33	information that:
34	(A) Includes supplemental information, logos, design
35	features, or any other information specific to the college, university,
36	technical institute, geographic area, or state;

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1	(B) Produces no substantive change to the main text; and
2	(C) Is listed or treated by a state-supported institution
3	of higher education as the textbook or course material required for a class
4	to the exclusion of a textbook or course material containing the main or
5	substantially similar text whether or not the supplemental information or
6	alteration results in a new International Standard Book Number for the
7	textbook or course material required for the class.
8	(2) "Customized textbook or course material" does not include a
9	publication of selected segments or chapters of one (1) or more undergraduate
10	textbooks or course materials if the wholesale cost of the publication is no
11	more than fifty percent (50%) of the wholesale cost of the complete textbooks
12	or course materials when purchased new.
13	(b) Except as provided in subsection (c) of this section, no state-
14	supported institution of higher education in this state shall select or use
15	for instruction any customized textbook or course material.
16	(c) A customized textbook or course material may be adopted after the
17	effective date of this act if:
18	(1) The adoption is approved by the department chair and
19	the dean of the affected college; and
20	(2) The dean or division head of the college forwards to
21	the chief academic officer of the affected state-supported institution of
22	higher education the following information:
23	(A) A list of each adoption;
24	(B) The names of the person or persons responsible
25	for each adoption; and
26	(C) A written statement explaining the reason for
27	adoption.
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29	/s/ Madison
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