

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
2 86th General Assembly
3 Regular Session, 2007
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A Bill

SENATE BILL 30

5 By: Senator Madison
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 THE USE OF ROYALTIES FROM THE
11 SALE OF TEXTBOOKS AND OTHER EDUCATIONAL MATERIALS
12 OR PUBLICATIONS BY STATE-SUPPORTED COLLEGE AND
13 UNIVERSITY EMPLOYEES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.
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Subtitle

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17 THE SALE OF TEXTBOOKS AND OTHER
18 EDUCATIONAL MATERIALS OR PUBLICATIONS BY
19 STATE-SUPPORTED COLLEGE AND UNIVERSITY
20 EMPLOYEES.
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23 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:
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25 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code Title 6, Chapter 60, is amended to add an
26 additional subchapter to read as follows:
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Subchapter 6 – Textbooks and course materials

6-60-601. Textbook royalties.

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30 (a) Unless otherwise provided by the contract between an employee of a
31 state-supported college or university in this state and the state-supported
32 college or university, all royalties or other compensation received by the
33 employee from sales resulting from an employee's own writing or publication
34 of textbooks, publications, or other educational materials required for
35 courses at the employee's own institution shall be:

36 (1) Considered the property of the college or university;



1 (2) Paid to the treasurer of the college or university; and
 2 (3) Placed in a restricted fund to be used for need-based
 3 scholarships.

4 (b) The college or university shall establish guidelines for the use
 5 of the restricted fund established under subsection (a) of this section.

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 7 SECTION 2. EMERGENCY CLAUSE. It is found and determined by the
 8 General Assembly of the State of Arkansas that college and university
 9 professors may be offered financial incentives to select certain textbooks
 10 and course materials rather than others, and may personally benefit from the
 11 selection of certain textbooks and course materials; that in order to provide
 12 the best state-supported higher education possible, the best available
 13 textbooks and course materials should be objectively selected without regard
 14 to any personal financial gain; and that the passage of this act is
 15 immediately necessary to help students receive the best available textbooks
 16 and course materials needed for a quality education. Therefore, an emergency
 17 is declared to exist and this act being immediately necessary for the
 18 preservation of the public peace, health, and safety shall become effective
 19 on:

20 (1) The date of its approval by the Governor;
 21 (2) If the bill is neither approved nor vetoed by the Governor,
 22 the expiration of the period of time during which the Governor may veto the
 23 bill; or
 24 (3) If the bill is vetoed by the Governor and the veto is
 25 overridden, the date the last house overrides the veto.

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