

COMMITTEE ON GOVERNMENT REFORM
SENATE AMENDMENTS TO S.B. 1203
(Reference to printed bill)

1 Strike everything after the enacting clause and insert:

2 "Section 1. Section 15-721, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to
3 read:

4 15-721. Common schools; course of study; textbooks; definition

5 A. The governing board shall approve for common schools the course of
6 study, the basic textbook for each course and all units recommended for
7 credit under each general subject title prior to implementation of the
8 course.

9 B. If any course does not include a basic textbook, the governing
10 board shall approve all supplemental books used in the course prior to
11 approval of the course.

12 C. If any course includes a basic textbook and uses supplemental
13 books, the governing board ~~may~~ SHALL approve all supplemental books and
14 teaching aids, including instructional computer software, that are used in
15 the course prior to approval of the course.

16 ~~D. If the course includes a basic textbook and uses supplemental books~~
17 ~~that have not been approved by the governing board at the time of approval of~~
18 ~~the course, a teacher may use the supplemental books at any time during the~~
19 ~~school year. Use of the supplemental books shall be brought to the attention~~
20 ~~of the governing board during the school year in which they are added for~~
21 ~~ratification.~~

22 ~~E.~~ D. Notwithstanding any other law, subsections B and C OF THIS
23 SECTION do not apply to supplemental books used in courses or programs
24 instituted pursuant to article 4 of this chapter.

1 ~~F.~~ E. The governing board shall:

2 1. Enforce the course of study and select all textbooks used in the
3 common schools and purchase the textbooks from the publishers. District
4 school funds may be budgeted and expended by the governing board for teaching
5 aids, including instructional computer software. For courses that do not
6 require that each student have a textbook other than for classroom
7 instruction, the school district need only purchase one textbook for each
8 student in the largest group that would be receiving classroom instruction at
9 any one time.

10 2. Require that all meetings of committees authorized for the purposes
11 of textbook review and selection be open to the public as prescribed in title
12 38, chapter 3, article 3.1.

13 3. Make available at the school district office for review by the
14 public, for a period of sixty days prior to formal selection of textbooks, a
15 copy of each textbook that is being considered for selection.

16 4. POST A COMPLETE LIST OF ITEMS APPROVED PURSUANT TO THIS SECTION ON
17 A WEBSITE MAINTAINED BY THE SCHOOL DISTRICT. IF THE SCHOOL DISTRICT DOES NOT
18 MAINTAIN A WEBSITE, THE SCHOOL DISTRICT SHALL SUBMIT THE LIST TO THE
19 DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION AND THE DEPARTMENT SHALL POST THE LIST ON A WEBSITE
20 MAINTAINED BY THE DEPARTMENT. THE INFORMATION POSTED PURSUANT TO THIS
21 PARAGRAPH SHALL CLEARLY LIST THE COMPLETE COURSE OF STUDY AND ALL TEXTBOOKS
22 APPROVED FOR EACH COURSE OFFERED BY THE SCHOOL DISTRICT.

23 ~~G.~~ F. For the purposes of this section, "textbook" means printed
24 instructional materials or digital content, or both, and related printed or
25 nonprinted instructional materials, that are written and published primarily
26 for use in school instruction and that are required by a state educational
27 agency or a local educational agency for use by pupils in the classroom,
28 including materials that require the availability of electronic equipment in
29 order to be used as a learning resource.

1 Sec. 2. Section 15-722, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to read:

2 15-722. High schools; course of study; textbooks; definition

3 A. The governing board shall approve for high schools the course of
4 study, the basic textbook for each course and all units that are recommended
5 for credit under each general subject title prior to implementation of such
6 course.

7 B. If any course does not include a basic textbook, the governing
8 board shall approve all supplemental books that are used in such course prior
9 to usage.

10 C. If any course includes a basic textbook and uses supplemental books
11 or instructional computer software, the governing board ~~may~~ SHALL approve all
12 supplemental books and instructional computer software that are used in such
13 course prior to usage.

14 ~~D. If the course includes a basic text and uses supplemental books~~
15 ~~that have not been approved by the governing board at the time of approval of~~
16 ~~the course, a teacher may use such supplemental books at any time during the~~
17 ~~school year. Use of such supplemental books shall be brought to the~~
18 ~~attention of the governing board during the school year in which they are~~
19 ~~added for ratification.~~

20 ~~E.~~ D. The governing board shall prescribe up to five textbooks for
21 each course and the teacher, with the consent of the governing board, may use
22 any one of the prescribed textbooks for the purposes of the teacher's course.

23 E. THE GOVERNING BOARD SHALL POST A COMPLETE LIST OF ITEMS APPROVED
24 PURSUANT TO THIS SECTION ON A WEBSITE MAINTAINED BY THE SCHOOL DISTRICT. IF
25 THE SCHOOL DISTRICT DOES NOT MAINTAIN A WEBSITE, THE SCHOOL DISTRICT SHALL
26 SUBMIT THE LIST TO THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION AND THE DEPARTMENT SHALL POST
27 THE LIST ON A WEBSITE MAINTAINED BY THE DEPARTMENT. THE INFORMATION POSTED
28 PURSUANT TO THIS SUBSECTION SHALL CLEARLY LIST THE COMPLETE COURSE OF STUDY
29 AND ALL TEXTBOOKS APPROVED FOR EACH COURSE OFFERED BY THE SCHOOL DISTRICT.

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2 instructional materials or digital content, or both, and related printed or
3 nonprinted instructional materials, that are written and published primarily
4 for use in school instruction and that are required by a state educational
5 agency or a local educational agency for use by pupils in the classroom,
6 including materials that require the availability of electronic equipment in
7 order to be used as a learning resource."

8 Amend title to conform

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