

State Bills 2010

State	Sponsor	Bill Number	Topic	Status	Summary / Link
CA	Block	AB1178	Sales Tax		Would change the tax code to exempt textbooks from sales tax http://www.leginfo.ca.gov/cgi-bin/postquery
MA	Timilty	HB1176	Special Commission		Creates a Special Commission on textbooks http://www.trendtrack.com/texis/walks/ma/textdisplay.html?billnum=HB1176
MD	Smigiel	HB16	Sales Tax Exemption		Exempts textbooks from state sales tax http://mlis.state.md.us/2010rs/billfile/hb0016.htm
MS	Evens	HB527	Textbooks		Publishers must disclose prices and pricing policies for bundled textbooks to faculty must provide timely orders to the bookstores so that the faculty is aware of price, format and revisions. Boards of Trustees must develop materials and inform students and faculty about ways to lower the cost of textbooks. This bill also authorizes the establishment of a pilot textbook rental program. http://billstatus.ls.state.ms.us/documents/2010/pdf/HB/0500-0599/HB0527IN.pdf
	Wilemon	SB2066	Textbooks		Faculty must provide timely orders to the bookstores so that the faculty is aware of price, format and revisions. Boards of Trustees must develop materials and inform students and faculty about ways to lower the cost of textbooks. This bill also authorizes the establishment of a pilot textbook rental program. http://billstatus.ls.state.ms.us/documents/2010/pdf/SB/2001-2099/SB2066IN.pdf
OH	Miller	HB147	Textbooks		Would require publishers to disclose the price of college textbooks to faculty and others upon request, to prohibit faculty and others from receiving certain gifts in exchange for adopting specific course material for course instruction, and to impose other requirements and prohibitions relating to college textbook pricing. http://www.legislature.state.oh.us/bills.cfm?ID=128_HB_147
PA	Dinneman	SB929	Textbooks		Similar to HEOA requirements on publishers, there is also encouragement language for faculty to reduce the cost of textbooks and to consider other formats including open textbooks also requires institutions to create textbook advisory committees. http://www.legis.state.pa.us/cfdocs/billinfo/billinfo.cfm?year=2009&sind=0&body=S&type=B&BN=0929
VA	Miller	SB141	Takes out Prohibition of selling comp copies		Removes prohibition on the selling of complimentary copies http://leg1.state.va.us/cgi-bin/legp504.exe?101+sum+SB141