

1 AN ACT concerning education.

2 **Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois,**  
3 **represented in the General Assembly:**

4 Section 1. Short title. This Act may be cited as the  
5 Textbook Consumer Information Act.

6 Section 5. Purpose. It is in the interest of the State of  
7 Illinois to reduce financial barriers and thereby increase  
8 access to higher education for all capable students. The  
9 purpose of this Act is to ensure that students have the timely  
10 and complete information that they need in order to make  
11 informed decisions when purchasing textbooks and other  
12 required or suggested materials to further their higher  
13 education goals.

14 Section 10. Definitions. In this Act:

15 "Institution" means a public institution of higher  
16 education that is included in the definition of "public  
17 institutions of higher education" under the Board of Higher  
18 Education Act.

19 "Off-campus college bookstore" means a bookstore that is  
20 not operated by or on behalf of the public institution of  
21 higher education, but sells or offers to sell textbooks and  
22 supplemental materials to students and has a physical presence

1 on or near the institution's campus.

2 "On-campus college bookstore" means a bookstore, whether  
3 operated by or on behalf of the public institution of higher  
4 education, that sells or offers to sell textbooks and  
5 supplemental materials to students of the public institution of  
6 higher education and that has a physical presence on or near  
7 the institution's campus.

8 Section 15. Requirements of textbook publishers. When  
9 contacting prospective clients, each publisher of college  
10 textbooks shall disclose the following to the faculty member  
11 or, where applicable, the other entity in charge of selecting  
12 textbooks for courses taught at an institution:

13 (1) the price at which the publisher would make the  
14 textbooks and, if applicable, supplementary learning  
15 materials available to the on-campus college bookstore;  
16 and

17 (2) the history of revisions for textbooks, if any. If  
18 supplemental items are available, the publisher's  
19 disclosure must include the supplements' prices if sold  
20 individually versus their prices if sold packaged with a  
21 textbook (i.e., bundled), where bundling is available.

22 Section 20. Requirements of faculty. Any faculty member or  
23 entity in charge of selecting textbooks and supplemental  
24 materials for courses taught at an institution shall clearly

1 identify to the on-campus college bookstore all textbooks and  
2 supplemental materials required and recommended for use for  
3 each course and the earliest edition of any required textbook  
4 that may be purchased by a student for that course in a manner  
5 consistent with the adoption process established by the  
6 on-campus college bookstore. Nothing in this Act is intended to  
7 alter, impair, or revise the current process by which  
8 off-campus college bookstores obtain the identity of textbooks  
9 and supplemental materials that have been required or  
10 recommended for use for each course in a timely manner.

11 Section 25. Requirements of bookstores. The on-campus and  
12 off-campus college bookstore, if any, must, with reasonable  
13 expediency after the information becomes available, disclose  
14 on a per course basis all textbooks and supplementary learning  
15 materials that are required for courses taught during each  
16 term. The disclosure shall include the title, author, and  
17 International Standard Book Number (ISBN) for each textbook and  
18 the new and used retail prices, so long as disclosure of the  
19 International Standard Book Number (ISBN) does not conflict  
20 with or impair the contractual rights of a private third party  
21 that operates the on-campus college bookstore on behalf of the  
22 institution.

23 Section 30. Requirements of institutions. An institution  
24 with a textbook rental program is excluded from the

1 requirements of this Act, except that the institution must  
2 comply with this Section with respect to those textbook and  
3 supplementary course materials not included in the textbook  
4 rental program. An institution must publish on the  
5 institution's Internet website or at other appropriate venues  
6 the title, author, International Standard Book Number (ISBN),  
7 and retail price of new and used textbooks within reasonable  
8 expediency after the information becomes available.

9 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon  
10 becoming law.