

SENATE BILL No. 678

By Committee on Ways and Means

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9 AN ACT concerning colleges and universities; relating to textbooks.

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11 *Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Kansas:*

12 Section 1. (a) The chief executive officer of each postsecondary ed-
13 ucational institution shall implement policies, procedures and guidelines
14 that require the publishers of textbooks to provide:

15 (1) With any marketing materials presented to a member of the fac-
16 ulty or staff, the retail price at which the publisher would make the text-
17 books available to the institution and the history of revisions for the text-
18 books, if any; and

19 (2) to the institution, the retail price of textbooks required or rec-
20 ommended by faculty or staff for a given course and the date and retail
21 price of the last edition of such textbook 90 days prior to the date of the
22 beginning of such course.

23 (b) The guidelines shall ensure that faculty and staff consider the least
24 costly practices in assigning textbooks when educational content is com-
25 parable as determined by the faculty or staff. Such price information shall
26 be made available to students at the time of enrollment in such course
27 and shall be posted on the institution's website.

28 (c) As used in this section "postsecondary educational institution"
29 shall have the meaning ascribed thereto by K.S.A. 74-3201b, and amend-
30 ments thereto.

31 Sec. 2. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its
32 publication in the statute book.