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By the Committee on Education Innovation and Representatives Lynn and Melvin

1	A bill to be entitled
2	An act relating to instructional materials;
3	amending s. 230.23, F.S.; prescribing duty of
4	school boards to provide instructional
5	materials; defining the term "adequate
б	instructional materials"; amending s. 233.07,
7	F.S.; revising the membership of instructional
8	materials committees; amending s. 233.08, F.S.;
9	eliminating provisions regarding district
10	instructional materials committees; amending s.
11	233.09, F.S.; revising the method of public
12	announcement of meetings; eliminating the
13	requirements for aggregating district
14	recommendations; amending s. 233.095, F.S.;
15	deleting the requirement that instructional
16	materials committee training be provided
17	through summer institutes; deleting provisions
18	relating to district instructional materials
19	committees; amending s. 233.115, F.S.; removing
20	references to district instructional materials
21	committees; providing requirements regarding
22	instructional materials pilot programs;
23	amending s. 233.14, F.S.; revising the method
24	of announcement of requests for bids or
25	proposals; amending s. 233.16, F.S.; deleting
26	provisions relating to district instructional
27	material committees; changing references to the
28	Department of Education to the Commissioner of
29	Education with respect to certain duties
30	regarding the selection and adoption of
31	instructional materials; eliminating a
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condition for rejecting bids; creating s.
233.167, F.S.; establishing procedures for
determining the accuracy of instructional
materials, correcting errors in content, and
removing inaccurate instructional materials
from the state-adopted list; amending s.
233.17, F.S.; revising the term of adoption of
instructional materials; eliminating the
optional escalator clause in certain contracts;
revising the years for which a tentative
schedule of subject areas to be called for
adoption must be published; amending s. 233.22,
F.S.; requiring the superintendent of a school
district to requisition certain materials;
allowing the superintendent of a school
district to requisition certain materials;
amending s. 233.25, F.S.; deleting provisions
relating to the loan of instructional materials
specimen copies to districts; requiring
publishers and manufacturers to retain
instructional materials in a depository for a
specified period of time, to implement a pilot
program to provide opportunities for at least
one school district to order customized
materials in certain subject areas, and to
accurately and fully disclose certain
information regarding the development of
instructional materials; providing a penalty
for noncompliance; amending s. 233.34, F.S.;
requiring school districts to purchase
instructional materials in core courses of
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1	appropriate subject areas within a specified
2	time; providing exceptions; allowing school
3	districts to make certain purchases when
4	authorized in the General Appropriations Act;
5	amending s. 233.37, F.S.; providing for the
б	disposal of unserviceable instructional
7	materials and those no longer on state
8	contract; eliminating contracts between the
9	Department of Education and recycling firms;
10	authorizing the district school board to
11	prescribe policies for destroying instructional
12	materials; requiring that certain moneys be
13	deposited in the district school fund and added
14	to the district appropriation for instructional
15	materials; repealing s. 233.38, F.S., relating
16	to the exchange of textbooks by school
17	districts; amending s. 233.43, F.S.; requiring
18	district school board policies to include the
19	superintendent's responsibilities for keeping
20	records pursuant to s. 233.46(4), F.S.;
21	requiring reports; amending s. 233.46, F.S.;
22	requiring principals to communicate to parents
23	the manner in which instructional materials are
24	used to implement curricular objectives;
25	requiring district school board policies to
26	include provisions related to lost or damaged
27	books; amending s. 233.48, F.S.; revising
28	expenses to be included in the legislative
29	budget request for instructional materials;
30	amending s. 229.512, F.S.; correcting a cross
31	reference; providing an effective date.
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1 Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida: 2 3 Section 1. Subsection (7) of section 230.23, Florida 4 Statutes, is amended to read: 230.23 Powers and duties of school board.--The school 5 б board, acting as a board, shall exercise all powers and 7 perform all duties listed below: 8 (7) COURSES OF STUDY AND OTHER INSTRUCTIONAL MATERIALS AIDS.--Provide adequate instructional materials aids for all 9 children as follows and in accordance with the requirements of 10 chapter 233. For purposes of this subsection, the term 11 "adequate instructional materials" means a sufficient number 12 13 of textbooks or sets of materials serving as the basis for 14 instruction for each student in the core courses of mathematics, language arts, social studies, science, reading, 15 16 and literature, except for instruction for which the school 17 advisory council approves the use of a program that does not include a textbook as a major tool of instruction. 18 19 (a) Courses of study; adoption.--Adopt courses of 20 study for use in the schools of the district. (b) Textbooks.--Provide for proper requisitioning, 21 22 distribution, accounting, storage, care, and use of all instructional materials furnished by the state and furnish 23 24 such other instructional materials as may be needed. The 25 school board is responsible for assuring that instructional 26 materials used in the district are consistent with the 27 district goals and objectives and the curriculum frameworks 28 approved by the State Board of Education, as well as with the 29 state and district performance standards provided for in ss. 229.565 and 232.2454. 30 31

(c) Other instructional materials aids.--Provide such 1 2 other teaching accessories and aids as are needed to carry out 3 the program. 4 (d) School library media services; establishment and 5 maintenance.--Establish and maintain school library media б centers, or school library media centers open to the public, 7 and, in addition thereto, such traveling or circulating 8 libraries as may be needed for the proper operation of the 9 district school system. Establish and maintain a program of school library media services for all public schools. 10 11 Section 2. Paragraphs (a) and (b) of subsection (1) of 12 section 233.07, Florida Statutes, are amended to read: 13 233.07 State instructional materials committees.--14 (1) Each school year, not later than April 15, the Commissioner of Education shall appoint state instructional 15 16 materials committees composed of persons actively engaged in teaching or in the supervision of teaching in the public 17 elementary or secondary schools and representing the major 18 19 fields and levels in which instructional materials are used in the public schools of the state and, in addition, lay citizens 20 not professionally connected with education. There shall be 21 22 committees for the recommendation of instructional materials for the elementary and secondary grades as may be found 23 necessary by the Commissioner of Education. Committee members 24 25 shall receive training pursuant to s. 233.095 in competencies 26 related to the evaluation and selection of instructional 27 materials. 28 There shall be nine or more members on each (a) 29 committee: A majority Four shall be classroom teachers who are certified in an area directly related to the academic area or 30

31 level being considered for adoption, two shall be laypersons,

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one shall be a school board member, and two shall be 1 2 supervisors of teachers. The committee must have the capacity 3 or expertise to address the broad racial, ethnic, socioeconomic, and cultural diversity of the student 4 5 population of the state. Personnel selected as teachers of б the year at the school, district, regional, or state level 7 pursuant to the provisions of the program conducted by the 8 Department of Education shall be encouraged to serve on instructional materials committees. 9 10 (b) The membership of each committee must reflect the broad racial, ethnic, socioeconomic, and cultural diversity of 11 12 the state, including a balanced representation from the state's geographic regions. 13 14 Section 3. Subsection (1) of section 233.08, Florida Statutes, is amended to read: 15 233.08 Affidavit of state instructional materials 16 committee members.--Before transacting any business, each 17 member of a district or state committee shall make an 18 19 affidavit, to be filed with the Commissioner of Education, 20 that: (1) The member will faithfully discharge the duties 21 22 imposed upon him or her as a member or as a secretary of the 23 committee. 24 Section 4. Subsection (1) and paragraphs (f) and (g) 25 of subsection (4) of section 233.09, Florida Statutes, are 26 amended to read: 27 233.09 Duties of each state instructional materials 28 committee.--The duties of each state instructional materials committee shall be: 29 (1) PLACE AND TIME OF MEETING.--To meet at the call of 30 31 the Commissioner of Education, at a place in the state 6

designated by him or her, and to remain there in session for a 1 2 period of time, not to exceed 20 days, for the purpose of 3 evaluating and recommending instructional materials for adoption by the state. All meetings of state instructional 4 5 materials committees shall be announced publicly in the Florida Administrative Weekly through the news media of the 6 7 state at least 2 weeks prior to the date of convening. The 8 announcement of the meeting shall include the agenda of the 9 meeting. All meetings of the committees shall be open to the 10 public.

(4) EVALUATION OF INSTRUCTIONAL MATERIALS.--To evaluate carefully all instructional materials submitted, to ascertain which instructional materials, if any, submitted for consideration best implement the selection criteria developed by the Commissioner of Education and those curricular objectives included within applicable performance standards provided for in s. 229.565.

(f) When recommending instructional materials for use 18 19 in the schools, each committee shall have the recommendations 20 of all districts which submit evaluations on the materials submitted for adoption in that particular subject area 21 aggregated and presented to the members to aid them in the 22 selection process; however, such aggregation shall be weighted 23 in accordance with the full-time equivalent student percentage 24 25 of each district. Each committee shall prepare an additional 26 aggregation, unweighted, with each district recommendation 27 given equal consideration. No instructional materials shall 28 be evaluated or recommended for adoption unless each of the district committees shall have been loaned the specified 29 number of samples. 30 31

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1 (g) In addition to relying on statements of publishers 2 or manufacturers of instructional material, any committee may 3 conduct, or cause to be conducted, an independent investigation as to the compliance of submitted materials with 4 5 the requirements of this section. Section 5. Section 233.095, Florida Statutes, is 6 7 amended to read: 8 233.095 Training programs for members of instructional 9 materials committees.--The Department of Education shall develop a training program, to be provided through summer 10 11 inservice institutes, for persons selected to serve on state and district instructional materials committees. 12 The program 13 shall be structured to assist committee members in developing the skills necessary to make valid, culturally sensitive, and 14 objective decisions regarding the content and rigor of 15 16 instructional materials. All persons serving on instructional materials committees must complete the training program prior 17 18 to beginning the review and selection process. 19 Section 6. Section 233.115, Florida Statutes, is 20 amended to read: 233.115 Prohibited acts.--21 22 (1) No publisher or manufacturer of instructional material, or any of his or her representatives, shall offer to 23 give any emolument, money, or other valuable thing, or any 24 inducement, to any school official or member of a 25 26 district-level or state-level committee to directly or 27 indirectly introduce, recommend, vote for, or otherwise 28 influence the adoption or purchase of any instructional 29 materials. (2) No school official or member of a district or 30 31 state instructional materials committee shall accept any 8

1 emolument, money, or other valuable thing, or any inducement, 2 to directly or indirectly introduce, recommend, vote for, or 3 otherwise influence the adoption or purchase of any 4 instructional material.

5 (3) No school district or publisher may participate in 6 a pilot program of materials being considered for adoption 7 during the 18 months prior to the official adoption of the 8 materials by the Commissioner of Education. Any pilot program 9 during the first 2 years of the adoption period must have the 10 prior approval of the Commissioner of Education.

11 (4) (4) (3) Any publisher or manufacturer of instructional 12 materials or his or her representative or any school official 13 or district or state instructional materials committee member, 14 who violates any of the provisions of this section is guilty of a misdemeanor of the second degree. Any representative of 15 16 a publisher or manufacturer who violates any of the provisions of this section, in addition to any other penalty, shall be 17 banned from practicing business in the state for a period of 1 18 19 calendar year. Any school official or district or state 20 instructional materials committee member who violates any of the provisions of this section, in addition to any other 21 penalty, shall be removed from his or her official position. 22 (5) (4) Nothing in this section shall be construed to 23 prevent any publisher, manufacturer, or agent from supplying, 24 for purposes of examination, necessary sample copies of 25 instructional materials to any school official or committee 26 27 member. 28 (6) (6) (5) Nothing in this section shall be construed to 29 prevent a school official or committee member from receiving

30 sample copies of instructional materials.

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(7) (7) (6) Nothing contained in this section shall be 1 2 construed to prohibit or restrict a school official from 3 receiving royalties or other compensation, other than compensation paid as commission to the school official for 4 5 negotiating sales to district boards, from the publisher or б manufacturer of instructional materials written, designed, or 7 prepared by such school official, and adopted by the 8 commissioner or purchased by any district board. No school official shall be allowed to receive royalties on any 9 materials not on the state-adopted list purchased for use by 10 11 his or her district school board. Section 7. Paragraph (a) of subsection (1) of section 12 13 233.14, Florida Statutes, is amended to read: 14 233.14 Bids or proposals; advertisement and its 15 contents.--16 (1)(a) Beginning on or before May 15 of any year in which an instructional materials adoption is to be initiated, 17 the Department of Education shall advertise in the Florida 18 19 Administrative Weekly a newspaper published in Tallahassee, 20 once each week for a period of 4 weeks preceding the date on 21 which the bids shall be received, that at a certain designated 22 time, not later than June 15, sealed bids or proposals to be deposited with the Department of Education will be received 23 from publishers or manufacturers for the furnishing of 24 25 instructional materials proposed to be adopted as listed in 26 the advertisement beginning April 1 following the adoption. 27 Section 8. Subsections (1), (2), and (3) of section 28 233.16, Florida Statutes, are amended to read: 29 233.16 Powers and duties of the Commissioner of Education and the Department of Education in selecting and 30 adopting instructional materials. -- The powers and duties of 31 10

the Department of Education in selecting and adopting 1 2 instructional materials shall be: (1) PROCEDURES FOR EVALUATING INSTRUCTIONAL 3 MATERIALS.--The Department of Education shall To implement 4 5 procedures prescribed by the Commissioner of Education for evaluating instructional materials submitted by publishers and 6 7 manufacturers in each adoption. Included in these procedures 8 shall be the following minimum standards: (a) provisions which afford each publisher or 9 manufacturer or his or her representative an opportunity to 10 11 present to members of the state instructional materials 12 committees the merits of each instructional material submitted 13 in each adoption+ 14 (b) Forms on which a district superintendent or his or her designee shall submit the results of the district 15 instructional materials committee's recommendations; and 16 (c) Guidelines for district instructional materials 17 committees, professional associations, and individuals for 18 19 evaluating instructional materials for state adoption; 20 however, the following minimum standards apply: 1. A district instructional materials committee must 21 22 reflect the broad racial, ethnic, socioeconomic, and cultural diversity of the district and may not consist of fewer than 23 three persons. One must be a layperson and two must be 24 teachers, it being the intent of the Legislature that 25 26 committees of three or more persons include at least one 27 layperson and one-half teachers as a part of their total 28 membership. The committee must have the capacity or expertise to address the broad racial, ethnic, socioeconomic, and 29 cultural diversity of the student population of the district. 30 Teachers serving on district instructional materials 31

committees must be certified in an area directly related to 1 the academic area or level being considered for adoption. 2 3 Personnel selected as teachers of the year at the school, district, regional, or state level pursuant to the provisions 4 5 of the program conducted by the Department of Education are encouraged to serve on instructional materials committees. б 7 2. A district instructional materials committee may 8 not deny any publisher or manufacturer or his or her representative time to present his or her product equal to 9 that time given any other publisher or manufacturer or his or 10 11 her representative. 3. Each instructional material evaluated by district 12 13 instructional materials committees, professional associations, 14 and individuals shall be ranked numerically in relation to all other materials of the same type evaluated, and no two 15 16 materials in the same subject area may receive the same 17 numerical rating. 4. District instructional materials committees, 18 professional associations, and individuals who evaluate 19 20 instructional materials and submit their findings and recommendations to the state committee shall do so in 21 accordance with the provisions of s. 233.09(4). 22 (2) SELECTION AND ADOPTION OF INSTRUCTIONAL 23 24 MATERIALS.--The Department of Education shall notify all 25 publishers or manufacturers of instructional materials who 26 have submitted bids that within 3 weeks after the deadline for 27 receiving bids, at a designated time and place, it will open 28 bids and proposals which have been submitted and deposited 29 with the department of Education. At the time and place designated, the bids or proposals shall be opened, read, and 30 31 tabulated in the presence of the bidders or their

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representatives. No one may revise his or her bid after the 1 2 bids have been filed. When all bids or proposals have been 3 carefully considered, the Commissioner of Education department shall, from the list of suitable, usable, and desirable 4 5 instructional materials reported by the state instructional б materials committee, select and adopt instructional materials 7 for each grade and subject field in the curriculum of public 8 elementary and secondary schools in the state in which adoptions are made and in the subject areas designated in the 9 advertisement, which adoption shall continue for the period 10 specified in the advertisement, to begin on the ensuing April 11 12 1. Such adoption shall not prevent the extension of a 13 contract as provided in subsection (3). The commissioner 14 department shall always reserve to itself the right to reject any and all bids or proposals if it is of the opinion that any 15 16 or all bids, for any reason, should be rejected. The commissioner department may ask for new sealed bids from 17 publishers or manufacturers whose instructional materials were 18 19 recommended by the state instructional materials committee as 20 suitable, usable, and desirable; specify the dates for filing such bids and the date on which they shall be opened; and 21 22 proceed in all matters regarding the opening of bids and the awarding of contracts as required by the terms and provisions 23 of this chapter. In all cases, bids or proposals shall be 24 25 accompanied by a cash deposit or certified check of from \$500 26 to \$2,500, as the commissioner department may direct. The 27 department, in adopting instructional materials, shall give 28 due consideration both to the prices bid for furnishing 29 instructional materials and to the report and recommendations of the state instructional materials committee. When the 30 commissioner department has finished with the report of the 31 13

state instructional materials committee, the report shall be
filed and preserved in the office of the Department of
Education and shall be available at all times for public
inspection.

5 (3) CONTRACT WITH PUBLISHERS OR MANUFACTURERS; б BOND.--As soon as practicable after the Commissioner of 7 Education department has adopted any instructional materials 8 and all bidders that have secured the adoption of any instructional materials have been notified of the same by 9 registered letter, the Department of Legal Affairs shall 10 prepare a contract in accordance with the provisions of the 11 12 school code with every bidder awarded the adoption of any 13 instructional materials. Said contracts shall be executed by 14 the Governor and Secretary of State under the seal of the state, one copy to be kept by the contractor, one copy to be 15 16 filed in the Department of State, and one copy to be filed in the Department of Education. After giving due consideration to 17 comments by the districts, the commissioner department, with 18 the agreement of the publisher, may extend or shorten a 19 20 contract period for a period not to exceed 2 years; and the terms of any such contract shall remain the same as those set 21 forth in the original contract. Any publisher or manufacturer 22 to whom any contract is let under the provisions of this 23 chapter must give bond in such amount as the commissioner 24 department deems advisable, payable to the state, conditioned 25 26 for the faithful, honest, and exact performance of the 27 contract. The bond must further provide for the payment of 28 reasonable attorney's fees in case of recovery in any suit 29 upon the same. The surety on the bond must be a guaranty or surety company authorized by the laws of the state to do 30 31 business in the state; however, the bond shall not be

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exhausted by a single recovery but may be sued upon from time 1 2 to time until the full amount thereof is recovered, and the 3 department may at any time, after giving 30 days' notice, require additional security or additional bond. 4 The form of 5 any bond or bonds or contract or contracts under the provisions of this chapter shall be prepared and approved by 6 7 the Department of Legal Affairs. At the discretion of the 8 commissioner of Education, a publisher or manufacturer to whom any contract is let under provisions of this chapter may be 9 allowed a cash deposit in lieu of a bond, conditioned for the 10 11 faithful, honest, and exact performance of the contract. The cash deposit, payable to the Department of Education, shall be 12 13 placed in the Textbook Bid Trust Fund. The department may recover damages on the cash deposit given by the contractor 14 for failure to furnish instructional materials, the sum 15 16 recovered to inure to the General Revenue Fund. Section 9. Section 233.167, Florida Statutes, is 17 created to read: 18 19 233.167 Accuracy of instructional materials.--In 20 addition to relying on statements of publishers or manufacturers of instructional materials, the Commissioner of 21 22 Education may conduct or cause to be conducted an independent investigation to determine the accuracy of the content of 23 state-adopted instructional materials. Upon the confirmation 24 25 of errors in state-adopted materials, the publisher of the 26 materials shall provide each district which has purchased 27 those materials with corrections in a format approved by the 28 commissioner. The commissioner may remove those materials 29 determined to contain errors which the publisher refuses to correct from the list of state-adopted materials. The 30 commissioner may remove materials from the list of 31

state-adopted materials at the request of the publisher if, in 1 2 the commissioner's opinion, there is no material impact on the 3 education goals of the state. 4 Section 10. Section 233.17, Florida Statutes, is 5 amended to read: б 233.17 Term of adoption for instructional materials.--7 (1) The term of adoption of any instructional 8 materials must be a 6-year an 8-year period beginning on April 1 following the adoption, except for the core subject areas 9 which include mathematics, science, social studies, reading, 10 11 and literature which shall be for a term not to exceed 6 years beginning on April 1 following the adoption. Any contract for 12 13 instructional materials may be extended as prescribed in s. 14 233.16(3). The Commissioner of Education may approve terms of adoption of less than 6 θ years for materials in content areas 15 which require more frequent revision. 16 (2) Any contract placing an instructional material on 17 adoption for 4 or more years shall provide that a publisher or 18 19 manufacturer of instructional materials may, at the end of the 20 third year during the term of the contract, upon giving 60 21 days' notification, increase such contract price to the 22 publisher's or manufacturer's then-current lowest wholesale price at which the materials are then being offered to any 23 24 state or school district in the United States, except that such adjustment shall not exceed the percentage by which the 25 26 consumer price index as determined by the United States 27 Department of Labor has increased during the time the contract 28 has been in force. Such price increase shall remain in effect for the remaining term of the contract, unless the contract 29 price is increased as permitted above. 30 31

(2) (3) The department shall publish annually an 1 2 official schedule of subject areas to be called for adoption 3 for each of the succeeding 2 years, and a tentative schedule for years 3, 4, and 5, and 6. If extenuating circumstances 4 5 warrant, the Commissioner of Education may order the department to add one or more subject areas to the official 6 7 schedule, in which event the commissioner shall develop 8 criteria for such additional subject area or areas pursuant to s. 229.512(18) and make them available to publishers as soon 9 as practicable. Notwithstanding the provisions of s. 10 11 229.512(18), the criteria for such additional subject area or areas may be provided to publishers less than 24 months before 12 13 the date on which bids are due. The schedule shall be developed so as to promote balance among the subject areas so 14 that the required expenditure for new instructional materials 15 16 is approximately the same each year in order to maintain curricular consistency. 17 18 Section 11. Section 233.22, Florida Statutes, is 19 amended to read: 20 233.22 Requisition of instructional materials from 21 publisher's depository .--22 (1) The superintendent shall requisition adopted instructional materials from the depository of the publisher 23 24 with whom a contract has been made. However, the 25 superintendent shall requisition current instructional 26 materials to provide each student with a textbook or other 27 materials as a major tool of instruction in core courses of 28 the subject areas specified in s. 233.34(2). These materials 29 must be requisitioned within the first 2 years of the adoption cycle, except for instructional materials related to growth of 30 student membership or instructional materials maintenance 31 17

needs. The superintendent may requisition instructional 1 2 materials in the core subject areas specified in s. 233.34(2) that are related to growth of student membership or 3 4 instructional materials maintenance needs during the 3rd and 5 subsequent years of the original contract period. б (2) The superintendent shall verify that such 7 requisition is complete and accurate and order the depository 8 to forward to him or her the adopted instructional materials 9 shown by the requisition. The depository shall prepare an invoice of the materials shipped, including shipping charges, 10 11 and mail it to the superintendent to whom the shipment is being made. The superintendent shall pay the depository within 12 13 60 days after receipt of the requisitioned materials from the 14 appropriation for the purchase of adopted instructional 15 materials. Section 12. Subsections (2) and (12) of section 16 233.25, Florida Statutes, are amended, present subsections 17 (13) and (14) are renumbered as subsections (18) and (19), 18 respectively, and new subsections (13), (14), (15), (16), and 19 20 (17) are added to said section, to read: 233.25 Duties, responsibilities, and requirements of 21 22 publishers and manufacturers of instructional materials.--Publishers and manufacturers of instructional 23 24 materials, or their representatives, shall: 25 (2)(a) Deliver specimen copies of all instructional 26 materials upon which bids or proposals are based to each 27 member of a state instructional materials committee. At the 28 conclusion of the review process, manufacturers submitting 29 samples of instructional materials shall be entitled to the return thereof, at the expense of the manufacturers; or, in 30 31 the alternative, the manufacturers shall be entitled to 18

reimbursement by the individual committee members for the 1 2 retail value of such samples. (b) Lend copies of such materials in quantities to be 3 4 determined by the Department of Education to those districts 5 participating in preadoption evaluations. At the conclusion б of the review process, if the district does not return such 7 instructional materials to the publishers and manufacturers, 8 at their expense, the publishers and manufacturers shall be 9 entitled to reimbursement by the district for the retail value of such materials. 10 11 (12) Maintain-or contract with-a depository in the 12 state and maintain there an inventory sufficient to receive 13 and fill orders for instructional materials. 14 (13) For the core subject areas specified in s. 15 233.34(2), maintain in the depository for the first 2 years of 16 the contract an inventory of instructional materials which is sufficient to receive and fill orders. 17 (14) For the core subject areas specified in s. 18 19 233.34(2), ensure the availability of an inventory sufficient 20 to receive and fill orders for instructional materials for growth, including the opening of a new school, and replacement 21 22 during the 3rd and subsequent years of the original contract 23 period. 24 (15) For all other subject areas, maintain in the 25 depository an inventory of instructional materials which is 26 sufficient to receive and fill orders. 27 (16) Accurately and fully disclose only the names of 28 those persons who actually authored the instructional materials. In addition to the penalties provided in 29 subsection (19), the Commissioner of Education may remove from 30 the list of state-adopted instructional materials those 31

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instructional materials whose publisher or manufacturer 1 2 misleads the purchaser by falsely representing genuine 3 authorship. 4 (17) Notwithstanding s. 233.115(3), beginning with the 5 2002 adoption cycle, implement a pilot program to provide 6 opportunities for at least one school district, as determined 7 by the state instructional materials committee in consultation 8 with the publishing industry, to order customized materials 9 adopted in one or more of the core subject areas of mathematics, language arts, social studies, and science. As 10 used in this subsection, the term "customized materials" means 11 12 portions, sections, or chapters of state-adopted instructional 13 materials which may be provided in electronic format, printed 14 on demand, or reproduced using other innovative practices that allow for customization as determined by the publisher and the 15 16 school district. Section 13. Section 233.34, Florida Statutes, is 17 amended to read: 18 19 233.34 Use of instructional materials allocation; 20 instructional materials, library books, and reference books; repair of books.--21 22 (1) On or before July 1 each year, the commissioner shall certify to the superintendent of each district the 23 estimated allocation of state funds for instructional 24 25 materials, computed pursuant to the provisions of chapter 236 for the ensuing fiscal year. 26 27 (2)(a) Each school district must purchase current 28 instructional materials to provide each student with a 29 textbook or other instructional materials as a major tool of instruction in core courses of the appropriate subject areas 30 of mathematics, language arts, science, social studies, 31 20

reading, and literature for kindergarten through grade 12. 1 2 Such purchase must be made within the first 2 years of the 3 effective date of the adoption cycle. 4 (b) The requirement in paragraph (a) does not apply to 5 contracts in existence before April 1, 2000, or to a purchase 6 related to growth of student membership in the district or for 7 instructional materials maintenance needs. 8 (c) Any school district that meets the requirement in 9 paragraph (a) may use at least 5 percent of public school technology funds to purchase electronic book readers when 10 11 authorized to do so in the General Appropriations Act. 12 (3)(a) (2) Each school district shall use the annual 13 allocation for the purchase of instructional materials 14 included on the state-adopted list. No less than 50 percent of the annual allocation shall be used to purchase items which 15 16 will be used to provide instruction to students at the level or levels for which the materials are designed. 17 (b) However, up to 50 percent of the annual allocation 18 may be used for the purchase of instructional materials, 19 20 including library and reference books and nonprint materials, not included on the state-adopted list and for the repair and 21 22 renovation of textbooks and library books. (c) Notwithstanding the provisions of this subsection, 23 school districts may use 100 percent of that portion of the 24 25 annual allocation which is designated by the district for the 26 purchase of instructional materials for kindergarten, and 75 27 percent of that portion of the annual allocation which is 28 designated for the purchase of instructional materials for 29 first grade, to purchase materials not on the state-adopted 30 list. 31

1 (4) (4) (3) Notwithstanding the definition of instructional 2 materials in s. 233.07(4), the funds described in subsection 3 (3)(2)which school districts may use to purchase materials not on the state adopted list may be used for the purchase of 4 5 instructional materials or other items having intellectual б content which assist in the instruction of a subject or 7 course. These items may be available in bound, unbound, kit, 8 or package form and may consist of hardbacked or softbacked textbooks, replacements for items which were part of 9 previously purchased instructional materials, consumables, 10 learning laboratories, manipulatives, electronic media, 11 12 computer courseware or software, and other commonly accepted 13 instructional tools as prescribed by school board policy. The 14 funds available to school districts for the purchase of materials not on the state adopted list may not be used to 15 16 purchase electronic or computer hardware even if such hardware is bundled with software or other electronic media, nor may 17 such funds be used to purchase equipment or supplies. However, 18 19 when authorized to do so in the General Appropriations Act, a 20 school or school district may use a portion of the funds available to it for the purchase of materials not on the state 21 22 adopted list to purchase science laboratory materials and 23 supplies. 24 (5) (4) Each district school board shall adopt policies, and each superintendent shall implement procedures, 25 26 that will assure the maximum use by the students of the 27 materials herein authorized. 28 (6)(5) District school boards are authorized to issue 29 purchase orders subsequent to February 1 March 15 in an aggregate amount which does not exceed 20 percent of the 30

31 current year's allocation, and subsequent to <u>April 1</u> May 1 in

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an aggregate amount which does not exceed 90 percent of the 1 2 current year's allocation, for the purpose of expediting the 3 delivery of instructional materials which are to be paid for from the ensuing year's allocation. 4 5 (7) (6) In any year in which the total allocation for a б district has not been expended or obligated prior to June 30, 7 the district shall carry forward such unobligated amount and 8 shall add this amount to the next year's allocation. Section 14. Section 233.37, Florida Statutes, is 9 amended to read: 10 233.37 Disposal of instructional materials.--11 12 (1) Under policy rules of the commissioner, or rules 13 of the district school board which have been approved by the 14 commissioner, the district school board may dispose of the instructional materials of an old adoption when they have 15 16 become unserviceable or surplus or are no longer on state 17 contract by: (a) Giving or lending the materials to other public 18 education programs within the district or state, to the 19 20 teachers to use in developing supplementary teaching materials, to students or others, or to any charitable 21 22 organization, governmental agency, private school, or state. 23 (b) Selling the materials to used book dealers, recycling plants, pulp mills, or other persons, firms, or 24 25 corporations upon such terms as are most economically 26 advantageous to the district school board, upon such terms and 27 conditions as will yield their fair salvage value. The 28 Department of Education shall enter into one or more contracts 29 with recycling firms for periodic pickup in school districts 30 of obsolete or unusable materials to be salvaged. 31

(2) The district school board may prescribe by policy 1 2 the manner for destroying instructional materials that cannot 3 be disposed of as provided in subsection (1). 4 (3) All moneys received by reason of sale, exchange, 5 or other disposition of instructional materials shall be 6 deposited in the district school fund and added to the 7 district appropriation for instructional materials. 8 Section 15. Section 233.38, Florida Statutes, is 9 repealed. 10 Section 16. Section 233.43, Florida Statutes, is 11 amended to read: 233.43 Duties of superintendent relating to 12 13 instructional materials.--14 (1) The duties and responsibilities of each superintendent of schools for the requisition, purchase, 15 16 receipt, storage, distribution, use, conservation, records, and reports of, and management practices and property 17 accountability concerning, instructional materials shall be 18 19 prescribed by policies of the district school board. Such 20 policies shall also provide for an evaluation of any instructional materials to be requisitioned that have not been 21 22 used previously in the schools of the district. The duties and responsibilities include keeping adequate records and accounts 23 for all financial transactions for funds collected pursuant to 24 25 s. 233.46(4). Such records and accounts shall be a component 26 of the educational service delivery scope in a school district best financial management practices review under ss. 11.515 27 28 and 230.23025. 29 (2) Each superintendent of schools shall notify the Department of Education by April 1 of each year the 30 state-adopted instructional materials that will be 31 24

requisitioned for use in his or her district. The notification 1 2 shall include a district plan for instructional materials use to assist in determining if adequate instructional materials 3 have been requisitioned. 4 5 Section 17. Subsections (1) and (2) of section 233.46, б Florida Statutes, are amended to read: 7 233.46 Duties of principals. -- The duties and 8 responsibilities of principals for instructional materials 9 management and care include: 10 (1) PROPER USE OF INSTRUCTIONAL MATERIALS.--The 11 principal is responsible for assuring that instructional 12 materials are used to provide instruction to students enrolled 13 at the grade level or levels for which the materials are 14 designed, pursuant to policies of the school board. It shall be the responsibility of the principal to effectively 15 16 communicate to parents the manner in which instructional materials are used to implement the curricular objectives of 17 18 the school. 19 (2) MONEY COLLECTED FOR LOST OR DAMAGED BOOKS; 20 ENFORCEMENT.--It shall be the duty and responsibility of each principal to collect from each pupil or the pupil's parent the 21 22 purchase price of any instructional material the pupil has lost, destroyed, or unnecessarily damaged and to report and 23 transmit such amounts so collected to the superintendent. If 24 25 such material so lost, destroyed, or damaged has been in 26 school use for more than 1 year, a sum ranging between 50 and 27 75 percent of the purchase price of the book shall be 28 collected. Such sum shall be determined by the physical 29 condition of the book. The failure to collect such sum upon reasonable effort by the principal may result in the 30 31 suspension of the pupil from participation in extracurricular

activities or satisfaction of the debt by the pupil through 1 2 community service activities at the school site as determined 3 by the principal. The provisions of this subsection must be included in the policies of the district school board. 4 5 Section 18. Section 233.48, Florida Statutes, is б amended to read: 7 233.48 Expenses; budget request.--The Commissioner of 8 Education shall include in the department's annual legislative 9 budget a request for funds in an amount sufficient to provide 10 the necessary expense for: 11 (1) The instructional materials committees. (2) Operating expense of the surplus instructional 12 13 materials exchange. 14 (2) (3) Instructional materials for use by partially 15 sighted pupils. 16 (3) (4) Other specific and necessary state expense of 17 the instructional materials program. Section 19. Subsection (18) of section 229.512, 18 19 Florida Statutes, is amended to read: 20 229.512 Commissioner of Education; general powers and duties.--The Commissioner of Education is the chief 21 educational officer of the state, and has the following 22 general powers and duties: 23 24 (18) To develop criteria for use by state 25 instructional materials committees in evaluating materials 26 submitted for adoption consideration. The criteria shall, as 27 appropriate, be based on instructional expectations reflected 28 in curriculum frameworks and student performance standards. The criteria for each subject or course shall be made 29 available to publishers of instructional materials at least 24 30 31 months prior to the date on which bids are due as provided by 26

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1	s. 233.14, except as otherwise permitted under s.
2	233.17 (2) (3). It is the intent of the Legislature that
3	publishers have ample time to develop instructional materials
4	designed to meet requirements in this state.
5	Section 20. This act shall take effect upon becoming a
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