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1                   A bill to be entitled  
2           An act relating to instructional materials for K-12 public  
3           education; amending s. 1006.28, F.S.; including computer  
4           hardware in the definition of the term "adequate  
5           instructional materials"; requiring each district school  
6           board to provide technology as needed for its educational  
7           program; amending s. 1006.40, F.S.; authorizing the use of  
8           certain funds for the purchase of computer hardware by  
9           district school boards; providing restrictions; providing  
10          an effective date.

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12   Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

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14          Section 1. Subsection (1) of section 1006.28, Florida  
15          Statutes, is amended to read:

16          1006.28 Duties of district school board, district school  
17          superintendent; and school principal regarding K-12  
18          instructional materials.—

19          (1) DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD.—The district school board has  
20          the duty to provide adequate instructional materials for all  
21          students in accordance with the requirements of this part. The  
22          term "adequate instructional materials" means a sufficient  
23          number of textbooks or sets of materials that are available in  
24          bound, unbound, kit, or package form and may consist of hard-  
25          backed or soft-backed textbooks, consumables, learning  
26          laboratories, manipulatives, electronic media, and computer  
27          hardware, courseware, or software that serve as the basis for  
28          instruction for each student in the core courses of mathematics,

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29 language arts, social studies, science, reading, and literature,  
30 except for instruction for which the school advisory council  
31 approves the use of a program that does not include a textbook  
32 as a major tool of instruction. The district school board has  
33 the following specific duties:

34 (a) Courses of study; adoption.—Adopt courses of study for  
35 use in the schools of the district.

36 (b) Textbooks.—Provide for proper requisitioning,  
37 distribution, accounting, storage, care, and use of all  
38 instructional materials furnished by the state and furnish such  
39 other instructional materials as may be needed. The district  
40 school board shall assure that instructional materials used in  
41 the district are consistent with the district goals and  
42 objectives and the curriculum frameworks adopted by rule of the  
43 State Board of Education, as well as with the state and district  
44 performance standards provided for in s. 1001.03(1).

45 (c) Other instructional materials.—Provide such other  
46 technology and teaching accessories and aids as are needed for  
47 the school district's educational program.

48 (d) School library media services; establishment and  
49 maintenance.—Establish and maintain a program of school library  
50 media services for all public schools in the district, including  
51 school library media centers, or school library media centers  
52 open to the public, and, in addition such traveling or  
53 circulating libraries as may be needed for the proper operation  
54 of the district school system.

55 Section 2. Subsection (4) of section 1006.40, Florida  
56 Statutes, is amended to read:

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57 | 1006.40 Use of instructional materials allocation;  
58 | instructional materials, library books, and reference books;  
59 | repair of books.-

60 | (4) The funds described in subsection (3) which district  
61 | school boards may use to purchase materials not on the state-  
62 | adopted list shall be used for the purchase of instructional  
63 | materials or other items having intellectual content which  
64 | assist in the instruction of a subject or course. These items  
65 | may be available in bound, unbound, kit, or package form and may  
66 | consist of hardbacked or softbacked textbooks, replacements for  
67 | items which were part of previously purchased instructional  
68 | materials, consumables, learning laboratories, manipulatives,  
69 | electronic media, computer hardware, courseware, or software,  
70 | and other commonly accepted instructional tools as prescribed by  
71 | district school board rule. The funds available to district  
72 | school boards for the purchase of materials not on the state-  
73 | adopted list may not be used to purchase electronic or computer  
74 | hardware unless ~~even if~~ such hardware is bundled with software  
75 | or other electronic media, nor may such funds be used to  
76 | purchase equipment or supplies. However, when authorized to do  
77 | so in the General Appropriations Act, a school or district  
78 | school board may use a portion of the funds available to it for  
79 | the purchase of materials not on the state-adopted list to  
80 | purchase science laboratory materials and supplies.

81 | Section 3. This act shall take effect July 1, 2010.