

By Senator Gibson

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1 A bill to be entitled
2 An act relating to instructional materials; amending
3 s. 1006.40, F.S.; revising provisions relating to
4 district school board use of the annual allocation for
5 the purchase of instructional materials; amending s.
6 1003.621, F.S.; conforming a provision; providing an
7 effective date.

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

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11 Section 1. Paragraphs (a) and (c) of subsection (3) of
12 section 1006.40, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:

13 1006.40 Use of instructional materials allocation;
14 instructional materials, library books, and reference books;
15 repair of books.—

16 (3) (a) Beginning in the 2014-2015 ~~By the 2015-2016~~ fiscal
17 year, each district school board may use all available funds
18 ~~shall use at least 50 percent~~ of the annual allocation for the
19 purchase of digital or electronic instructional materials that
20 align with state standards included on the state-adopted list,
21 except as otherwise authorized in paragraphs (b) and (c). This
22 section does not apply to a district school board or a
23 consortium of school districts which implements an instructional
24 materials program pursuant to s. 1006.283, except that,
25 beginning in the 2014-2015 ~~by the 2015-2016~~ fiscal year, each
26 district school board may use all available funds ~~shall use at~~
27 ~~least 50 percent~~ of the annual allocation for the purchase of
28 digital or electronic instructional materials that align with
29 state standards.

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30 (c) District school boards may use 100 percent of that
31 portion of the annual allocation designated for the purchase of
32 instructional materials for kindergarten, and 100 ~~75~~ percent of
33 that portion of the annual allocation designated for the
34 purchase of instructional materials for first grade, to purchase
35 materials not on the state-adopted list.

36 Section 2. Paragraph (j) of subsection (2) of section
37 1003.621, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

38 1003.621 Academically high-performing school districts.—It
39 is the intent of the Legislature to recognize and reward school
40 districts that demonstrate the ability to consistently maintain
41 or improve their high-performing status. The purpose of this
42 section is to provide high-performing school districts with
43 flexibility in meeting the specific requirements in statute and
44 rules of the State Board of Education.

45 (2) COMPLIANCE WITH STATUTES AND RULES.—Each academically
46 high-performing school district shall comply with all of the
47 provisions in chapters 1000-1013, and rules of the State Board
48 of Education which implement these provisions, pertaining to the
49 following:

50 (j) Those statutes relating to instructional materials,
51 except that s. 1006.37, relating to the requisition of state-
52 adopted materials from the depository under contract with the
53 publisher, and s. 1006.40(3)(a), relating to the use of all
54 available funds ~~50 percent~~ of the instructional materials
55 allocation, shall be eligible for exemption.

56 Section 3. This act shall take effect July 1, 2014.