

AN ACT

relating to the instructional material list and supplemental instructional materials adopted by the State Board of Education.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

SECTION 1. Section 31.023(b), Education Code, is amended to read as follows:

(b) Each instructional material on the list must be:

(1) free from factual errors;

(2) suitable for the subject and grade level for which the instructional material was submitted; and

(3) reviewed by academic experts in the subject and grade level for which the instructional material was submitted.

SECTION 2. Section 31.035(a), Education Code, is amended to read as follows:

(a) Notwithstanding any other provision of this subchapter, the State Board of Education may adopt supplemental instructional materials that are not on the list adopted under Section 31.023. The State Board of Education may adopt supplemental instructional material under this section only if the instructional material:

(1) contains material covering one or more primary focal points or primary topics of a subject in the required curriculum under Section 28.002, as determined by the State Board of Education;

(2) is not designed to serve as the sole instructional

1 material for a full course;

2 (3) meets applicable physical specifications adopted
3 by the State Board of Education; [~~and~~]

4 (4) is free from factual errors;

5 (5) is suitable for the subject and grade level; and

6 (6) is reviewed by academic experts in the subject and
7 grade level.

8 SECTION 3. Sections 31.023(b) and 31.035(a), Education
9 Code, as amended by this Act, apply only to an instructional
10 material list or supplemental instructional material adopted on or
11 after the effective date of this Act. An instructional material
12 list or supplemental instructional material adopted before the
13 effective date of this Act is governed by the law in effect when the
14 instructional material list or supplemental instructional material
15 was adopted, and the former law is continued in effect for that
16 purpose.

17 SECTION 4. This Act takes effect September 1, 2017.

President of the Senate

Speaker of the House

I hereby certify that S.B. No. 801 passed the Senate on May 4, 2017, by the following vote: Yeas 31, Nays 0; May 26, 2017, Senate refused to concur in House amendments and requested appointment of Conference Committee; May 26, 2017, House granted request of the Senate; May 28, 2017, Senate adopted Conference Committee Report by the following vote: Yeas 26, Nays 4.

Secretary of the Senate

I hereby certify that S.B. No. 801 passed the House, with amendments, on May 24, 2017, by the following vote: Yeas 106, Nays 38, two present not voting; May 26, 2017, House granted request of the Senate for appointment of Conference Committee; May 28, 2017, House adopted Conference Committee Report by the following vote: Yeas 78, Nays 62, two present not voting.

Chief Clerk of the House

Approved:

Date

Governor