

1-1 By: VanDeaver (Senate Sponsor - Hughes) H.B. No. 396  
 1-2 (In the Senate - Received from the House March 25, 2019;  
 1-3 March 27, 2019, read first time and referred to Committee on  
 1-4 Education; May 14, 2019, reported favorably by the following vote:  
 1-5 Yeas 10, Nays 0; May 14, 2019, sent to printer.)

1-6 COMMITTEE VOTE

	Yea	Nay	Absent	PNV
1-7 Taylor	X			
1-8 Lucio	X			
1-9 Bettencourt	X			
1-10 Campbell			X	
1-11 Fallon	X			
1-12 Hall	X			
1-13 Hughes	X			
1-14 Paxton	X			
1-15 Powell	X			
1-16 Watson	X			
1-17 West	X			

1-19 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED  
 1-20 AN ACT

1-21 relating to acceptable uses of the instructional materials and  
 1-22 technology fund and the instructional materials and technology  
 1-23 allotment.

1-24 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

1-25 SECTION 1. Section 31.021(c), Education Code, as amended by  
 1-26 Chapters 581 (S.B. 810) and 705 (H.B. 3526), Acts of the 85th  
 1-27 Legislature, Regular Session, 2017, is reenacted and amended to  
 1-28 read as follows:

1-29 (c) Money in the state instructional materials and  
 1-30 technology fund shall be used to:

1-31 (1) fund the instructional materials and technology  
 1-32 allotment, as provided by Section 31.0211;

1-33 (2) purchase special instructional materials for the  
 1-34 education of blind and visually impaired students in public  
 1-35 schools;

1-36 (3) pay the expenses associated with the instructional  
 1-37 materials adoption and review process under this chapter;

1-38 (4) pay the expenses associated with the purchase or  
 1-39 licensing of open education resource instructional material;

1-40 (5) pay the expenses associated with the purchase of  
 1-41 instructional material, including ~~intrastate~~ freight and  
 1-42 shipping and the insurance expenses associated with ~~intrastate~~  
 1-43 freight and shipping;

1-44 (6) fund the technology lending grant program  
 1-45 established under Section 32.301;

1-46 (7) provide funding to the Texas School for the Blind  
 1-47 and Visually Impaired, the Texas School for the Deaf, and the Texas  
 1-48 Juvenile Justice Department; and

1-49 (8) pay the expenses associated with the instructional  
 1-50 materials web portal developed under Section 31.081.

1-51 SECTION 2. Section 31.0211(c), Education Code, is amended  
 1-52 to read as follows:

1-53 (c) Subject to Subsection (d), funds allotted under this  
 1-54 section may be used to:

1-55 (1) purchase:

1-56 (A) materials on the list adopted by the  
 1-57 commissioner, as provided by Section 31.0231;

1-58 (B) instructional materials, regardless of  
 1-59 whether the instructional materials are on the list adopted under  
 1-60 Section 31.024;

1-61 (C) consumable instructional materials,

2-1 including workbooks;

2-2 (D) instructional materials for use in bilingual

2-3 education classes, as provided by Section 31.029;

2-4 (E) instructional materials for use in college

2-5 preparatory courses under Section 28.014, as provided by Section

2-6 31.031;

2-7 (F) supplemental instructional materials, as

2-8 provided by Section 31.035;

2-9 (G) state-developed open education resource

2-10 instructional materials, as provided by Subchapter B-1;

2-11 (H) instructional materials and technological

2-12 equipment under any continuing contracts of the district in effect

2-13 on September 1, 2011; ~~and~~

2-14 (I) technological equipment necessary to support

2-15 the use of materials included on the list adopted by the

2-16 commissioner under Section 31.0231 or any instructional materials

2-17 purchased with an allotment under this section; and

2-18 (J) inventory software or systems for storing,

2-19 managing, and accessing instructional materials and analyzing the

2-20 usage and effectiveness of the instructional materials; and

2-21 (2) pay:

2-22 (A) for training educational personnel directly

2-23 involved in student learning in the appropriate use of

2-24 instructional materials and for providing for access to

2-25 technological equipment for instructional use; and

2-26 (B) the salary and other expenses of an employee

2-27 who provides technical support for the use of technological

2-28 equipment directly involved in student learning.

2-29 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2019.

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