By:  Campbell S.B. No. 1567

(In the Senate - Filed March 3, 2023; March 16, 2023, read first time and referred to Committee on Education; April 27, 2023, reported adversely, with favorable Committee Substitute by the following vote: Yeas 13, Nays 0; April 27, 2023, sent to printer.)

COMMITTEE VOTE

                    Yea Nay Absent  PNV

Creighton         X

Campbell             X

Bettencourt          X

Birdwell             X

Flores               X

King                 X

LaMantia             X

Menéndez             X

Middleton            X

Parker               X

Paxton               X

Springer             X

West                 X

COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR S.B. No. 1567 By:  Parker

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to requiring public schools to maintain physical copies of certain instructional materials.

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

SECTION 1.  Subchapter C, Chapter 31, Education Code, is amended by adding Section 31.107 to read as follows:

Sec. 31.107.  REQUIRED PHYSICAL COPIES OF INSTRUCTIONAL MATERIALS. (a) This section applies only to instructional materials provided in a physical medium.

(b)  The board of trustees of each school district and the governing body of each open-enrollment charter school shall, for each instructional material selected by the district or school for a subject in the foundation or enrichment curriculum:

(1)  make available at least one physical copy of the instructional material in each classroom in which the instructional material is used;

(2)  provide to each teacher at a district or school who uses the instructional material in teaching a course a physical copy of the teacher version of the instructional material, if available; and

(3)  maintain in the school library at each district or school campus at which the instructional material is used a number of physical copies of the instructional material at least equal to five percent of the total number of students in the grade level in which the instructional material is used.

SECTION 2.  This Act applies beginning with the 2023-2024 school year.

SECTION 3.  This Act takes effect immediately if it receives a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this Act takes effect September 1, 2023.

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