

**PUBLIC SCHOOL TEXTBOOK EVALUATION**

2007 GENERAL SESSION

STATE OF UTAH

**Chief Sponsor: Gage Froerer**

Senate Sponsor: \_\_\_\_\_

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**LONG TITLE**

**General Description:**

This bill establishes requirements related to public education instructional materials.

**Highlighted Provisions:**

This bill:

▶ prohibits a school district or charter school from purchasing instructional materials unless the materials have been evaluated by an independent party for alignment with the core curriculum; and

▶ requires that the alignment evaluation be made available on a website at no charge.

**Monies Appropriated in this Bill:**

None

**Other Special Clauses:**

None

**Utah Code Sections Affected:**

ENACTS:

**53A-14-107**, Utah Code Annotated 1953

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*Be it enacted by the Legislature of the state of Utah:*

Section 1. Section **53A-14-107** is enacted to read:

**53A-14-107. Instructional materials alignment with core curriculum.**

**(1) A school district or charter school may not purchase instructional materials unless**



- 28 the instructional materials provider:  
29       (a) contracts with an independent party to evaluate and map the alignment of the  
30 instructional materials with the core curriculum adopted under Section 53A-1-402;  
31       (b) provides a detailed summary of the evaluation under Subsection (1)(a) on a public  
32 website at no charge, for use by teachers and the general public; and  
33       (c) pays the costs related to the requirements of this Subsection (1).  
34       (2) The requirements under Subsection (1) may not be performed by:  
35       (a) the State Board of Education;  
36       (b) the superintendent of public instruction or the superintendent's staff;  
37       (c) the State Instructional Materials Commission appointed pursuant to Section  
38 53A-14-101;  
39       (d) an employee or board member of a school district or charter school; or  
40       (e) the instructional materials publisher.

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**Legislative Review Note**  
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**H.B. 364 - Public School Textbook Evaluation**

**Fiscal Note**

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**State Impact**

Enactment of this bill will not require additional appropriations.

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**Individual, Business and/or Local Impact**

Enactment of this bill likely will not result in direct, measurable costs and/or benefits for individuals, businesses, or local governments.

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