

HOUSE SUMMARY OF SENATE AMENDMENTS**HB 400****2016 Regular Session****Reynolds**

TEXTBOOKS/MATERIALS: Provides relative to the review of textbooks and other instructional materials by the state Dept. of Education

Synopsis of Senate Amendments

1. Add that proposed law is effective upon signature of governor or lapse of time for gubernatorial action.

Digest of Bill as Finally Passed by Senate

Present law requires the state Dept. of Education (DOE) to conduct reviews of textbooks and other instructional materials in the core subjects of English language arts, mathematics, science, and social studies and to determine the degree to which each aligns with state content standards. Authorizes DOE to conduct reviews in other subject areas as it deems necessary or upon the request of a public school governing authority. Proposed law retains present law.

Present law requires DOE to conduct reviews in such core subjects at least every six years. Proposed law requires that DOE do this in accordance with the State Bd. of Elementary and Secondary Education's schedule of reviews of core state academic content standards, prioritize reviews of textbooks used to teach state academic content standards recently reviewed and revised, and publish on its website a projected timeline of such prioritized reviews.

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(Amends R.S. 17:351.1(B)(1))