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**FACULTY SENATE**

**SOUTHEAST MISSOURI STATE UNIVERSITY**

**FACULTY SENATE BILL 23-A-XX**

Approved by the Faculty Senate  
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**BRIEF SUMMARY:** This bill creates a Policy section and revises content for "Textbook Policies" in Chapter 3.

**REVISING "TEXTBOOK POLICIES" TO ESTABLISH A POLICY SECTION**

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT:** Subject to the passage and approval of both this bill and its companion bill establishing a corresponding Procedures section, "Textbook Policies" in Chapter 3 of the *Faculty Handbook* will be amended by replacing the existing content with the following Policy section (to precede the companion Procedures in the *Handbook*).

**Textbook Policy**

1           The objective of the Textbook Policy is to support the educational mission of the University  
2 by providing students access to instructional materials to enrich their learning. Faculty should  
3 consider instructional value, access, and cost when selecting instructional materials.  
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5           Generally, one text per course may be available for rental through the Textbook Rental  
6 Department. Any additional texts or other course materials (such as software, access codes,  
7 workbooks, etc.) not freely accessible must be made available for purchase through the Southeast  
8 Bookstore. Students pay a fixed rental fee per course. The rental fee(s) and costs for materials  
9 purchased through the Southeast Bookstore will be charged to the students' account and will  
10 appear on their university billing statement. The University encourages faculty to select  
11 Affordable and Open Educational Resources (A&OER) for use as primary or supplementary  
12 course materials when available and appropriate.  
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Date and Version: 9/12/2022, Version 3a  
Handbook Section: "Textbook Policies" in Chapter 3  
Proposed Change: Creating a Policy section and revising content  
Source of Bill: Faculty Senate Academic Affairs Committee

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<b>Action</b>	<b>Date</b>
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Second Senate Meeting	
Faculty Senate Vote	
President's Review	
Board of Regents Approval	
Posted to Faculty Handbook	