



SB 1357 schools; access; instructional materials; review (S. Allen)

- Requires, on written request and advance notice, each district and charter school to allow parents or guardians access to all instructional materials that are currently being used or are being considered for use by the school district or charter schools
- Requires each district or charter school to post a list on its website of all instructional materials approved and adopted by the governing board, by grade level and subject matter, in the prior school year by August 1 of each year.
- Specifies the list must include the title, author, organization or website associate with each individual instructional material used.
 - Clarifies this does not require the digital reproduction of the entirety of the instructional material
- Requires each district and charter school to post on the same section of its website the procedures for parents to gain access to instructional materials
- Defines “instructional materials” as any of the following that are created and published primarily for use by teachers and students in school instruction, including classroom instruction, nonpupil presentations, assemblies, lectures, and nonpupil led discussion groups or that are required by a local educational agency for use by teachers and students in the classroom including materials that require the availability of electronic equipment in order to be used as a learning resource:
 - Textbooks, including digital textbooks or content
 - Reading materials, including print and digital format
 - Websites
 - Films
 - Online applications and databases used for student instruction