

**SB54 ENGROSSED**



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A BILL  
TO BE ENTITLED  
AN ACT

Relating to the State Textbook Committee; to require the State Textbook Committee to review periodicals regularly used in public K-12 schools; and to authorize the State Board of Education to adopt rules.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA:

Section 1. (a) For purposes of this section, the term "periodical" means any magazine, newspaper, or journal published at regular intervals.

(b) The State Textbook Committee shall review all periodicals that are regularly used during classroom instruction in any public K-12 school. For purposes of this section, a periodical is considered regularly used if it is used at least once a month during the academic school year.

(c) The State Board of Education may develop guidelines for the review of periodicals. The review process shall include, but not be limited to, publishing statewide lists of vetted and approved periodicals.

(d) Guidelines developed for the review of periodicals pursuant to this section shall be separate from the State Textbook Review Process provided by Article 3 of Chapter 36 of



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29 Title 16, Code of Alabama 1975.

30 Section 2. This act shall become effective on October

31 1, 2024.



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35 Read for the first time and referred .....06-Feb-24  
36 to the Senate committee on Education  
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40 on the calendar:  
41 0 amendments  
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43 Read for the third time and passed .....08-Feb-24  
44 as amended  
45 Yeas 35  
46 Nays 0  
47 Abstains 0  
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Patrick Harris,  
Secretary.

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