



CHAPTER 115C
ARTICLE 8 - GENERAL EDUCATION

N.C.G.S. § 115C-98.

Local boards of education to provide for local operation of the textbook program, the selection and procurement of other instructional materials, and the use of nonadopted textbooks.

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General Statutes of North Carolina, as published by the General Assembly	S.L. 2011-391, s. 14(b) — sixth act in the lineage	21 September 2026, 05:37 UTC	2c5478577fa7b2d10cce1a4c - 940917e7bf75cc39837e5b53 - 9b7ea551696a69df

§ 115C-98(a) Local boards of education shall adopt rules not inconsistent with the policies of the State Board of Education concerning the local operation of the textbook program.

§ 115C-98(b) Local boards of education shall adopt written policies concerning the procedures to be followed in their local school administrative units for the selection and procurement of supplementary textbooks, library books, periodicals, audiovisual materials, and other supplementary instructional materials needed for instructional purposes in the public schools of their units.

Local boards of education shall have sole authority to select and procure supplementary instructional materials, whether or not the materials contain commercial advertising, to determine if the materials are related to and within the limits of the prescribed curriculum, and to determine when the materials may be presented to students during the school day. Supplementary materials and contracts for supplementary materials are not subject to approval by the State Board of Education.

Supplementary books and other instructional materials shall neither displace nor be used to the exclusion of basic textbooks.

§ 115C-98(b1)

A local board of education may establish a community media advisory committee to investigate and evaluate challenges from parents, teachers, and members of the public to textbooks and supplementary instructional materials on the grounds that they are educationally unsuitable, pervasively vulgar, or inappropriate to the age, maturity, or grade level of the students. The State Board of Education shall review its rules and policies concerning these challenges and shall establish guidelines to be followed by community media advisory committees.

The local board, at all times, has sole authority and discretion to determine whether a challenge has merit and whether challenged material should be retained or removed.

§ 115C-98(b2)

Local boards of education may:

- (1) Select, procure, and use textbooks that have not been adopted by the State Board of Education for use throughout the local school administrative unit for selected grade levels and courses; and
- (2) Approve school improvement plans developed under G.S. 115C-105.27 that include provisions for using textbooks that have not been adopted by the State Board of Education for selected grade levels and courses.

All textbook contracts made under this subsection shall include a clause granting to the local board of education the license to produce braille, large print, and audiocassette tape copies of the textbooks for use in the local school administrative unit.

§ 115C-98(c)

Funds allocated by the State Board of Education or appropriated in the current expense or capital outlay budgets of the local school administrative units, may be used for the above-stated purposes.

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APPARATUS I
6 ACTS

Amendment lineage

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Nº	YEAR	ACT	CHARACTER
01	1969	c. 519, s. 1	ENACTED
02	1981	c. 423, s. 1	AMENDED
03	1981	1989 (Reg. Sess., 1990), c. 1074, s. 23(a)	AMENDED
04	1981	1995 (Reg. Sess., 1996), c. 716, ss. 8.7, 19	AMENDED
05	2011	S.L. 2011-145, s. 7.13(e)	AMENDED
06	2011	S.L. 2011-391, s. 14(b)	AMENDED

APPARATUS II
1 AUTHORITY

Authorities referenced

Every G.S. cross-reference appearing in the text of this section, in order of first appearance. Nothing is characterized; the operative language is quoted from the section itself.

REFERENCE	APPEARS IN	OPERATIVE LANGUAGE IN THIS SECTION
G.S. 115C-105.27	(b2)(2)	"Approve school improvement plans developed under"

APPARATUS III

Citation

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