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**ADOPT NEW BOARD RULE 7-2.6
PURCHASE OF TEXTBOOKS AND INSTRUCTIONAL MATERIALS
WHICH ARE NOT SUBJECT TO SECTION 7-2 PROCUREMENT REQUIREMENTS
AND RE-NUMBER CURRENT BOARD RULE 7-2.6 TO 7-2.7**

THE GENERAL COUNSEL RECOMMENDS:

That the Board adopt new Board Rule 7-2.6 regarding the Purchase of Textbooks and Instructional Materials Which Are Not Subject to Section 7-2 Procurement Requirements and re-number current Board Rule 7-2.6 regarding Procurement Guidelines as Board Rule 7-2.7.

Sec. 7-2.6 Purchase of Textbooks and Instructional Materials Which Are Not Subject to Section 7-2 Procurement Requirements. Purchases of textbooks and instructional materials are subject to the favored pricing obligations set out in 105 ILCS 5/28-1, et seq. and therefore the procurement rules set out in Section 7-2 shall not apply to such purchases. Suppliers of textbooks and instructional materials shall file a sworn statement annually with the Chief Purchasing Officer attesting that prices charged to Chicago Public Schools for textbooks and instructional materials are the lowest net prices for such materials as charged elsewhere in Illinois and in the United States. Suppliers charging higher prices in violation of their sworn statements are subject to penalties which include, but are not limited to, rebates for pricing overages. The Chief Education Officer may establish lists of recommended textbooks and instructional materials and provide guidelines for the selection and purchase of textbooks and instructional materials.

Sec. 7-2.7 7-2.6 Procurement Guidelines. The Chief Purchasing Officer is authorized to establish procurement guidelines to ensure the effective implementation of the procurement rules contained in this Chapter VII.

Respectfully Submitted 



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