

Resolution in Support of Ohio H.B. 337—Sales Tax Exemption for Textbooks
Executive Committee
Faculty Senate
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First Reading

Whereas the Ohio University Faculty Senate is committed to initiatives intended to make higher education affordable, so long as they do not impact academic quality; and

Whereas faculty representatives have been working with the University's Textbook Affordability Committee to reduce the costs of textbooks and instructional materials; and

Whereas the Ohio State legislature and the governor have indicated that reducing student textbook costs is a priority; and

Whereas twenty-seven states, including our neighboring states Pennsylvania, West Virginia, and Kentucky, currently exempt university students from paying sales tax on textbooks;

Be it resolved that the Ohio University Faculty Senate strongly endorses H.B. 337 that would provide a sales tax exemption for textbooks purchased by post-secondary students.