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<http://www.fairmontstate.edu/aboutfsu/sites/default/files/bog-policies/fsu_policy_54.pdf>

Here is the link to the Fairmont State Textbook policy.

The complaints I have had are:

1.  There are programs that must respond immediately to changes in state and national laws and procedures.  These laws/procedures can change any time, and the department must be able to order appropriate materials as soon as a change is made.  The textbook policy does not accomodate such programs.

2.  When a program changes, which may be occur at any time during a year, books have to be ordered to reflect these changes.  The bookstore, following textbook policy, cannot and does not accomodate such needs.

3.  Most professors at the most recent Faculty Senate meeting wondered why, when the bookstore does not order texts a year ahead of time, we have to choose texts a year ahead of time.  We told them that the bookstore must comply with national policy.  No one seemed happy about selecting books a year ahead of time.

4.  Mostly, faculty feel inconvenienced.  In the main, everyone complies.

All best,

Sue Kelley