

What Can I Do About the Cost of Textbooks...

Ask your publisher rep about 3 important issues:

1. **COST:** What will the students pay for this book?
2. **FORMAT:** Are there alternative formats of this textbook available, such as an electronic version? Are there items, like a CD, that come bundled with this textbook? (If so the publisher is required to offer an unbundled version, which can save your students money)
3. **EDITION:** If there is a new edition, how extensive are the changes? When do they expect another edition to be released?

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Faculty Senate Resolution

The Faculty Senate recently passed a resolution introduced by the Senate's Student Relations Committee urging publishers who work with DU faculty and administration to voluntarily comply with Colorado Senate Bill 73, which was signed into law by Governor Ritter in April 2008 and goes into effect July 1, 2009.

The law requires that textbook publishers who do business with Colorado public universities provide faculty members with the retail price of textbooks, reveal the extent of any revisions in updated text editions so professors can decide whether it's worth ordering the update (which means students can't buy a cheaper used book), and make unbundled textbooks (without CDs, workbooks, and other supplementary material) available. The extension of the Federal Higher Education Act of 1965 will require similar compliance by all universities beginning in 2010.

For more on the resolution see the article in [DU TODAY](#)

<http://www.du.edu/today/stories/2009/02/2009-02-20text.html>