

There is a Rating Committee in each field in which textbooks are to be considered which assists. Each of these committees is composed of 7 members. The State Superintendent appoints 3 members of each committee (experienced teachers or supervisors professionally trained in the particular field) plus 4 members, appointed by the Governor, who are competent to participate in the appraisal of books in each field. These committees recommend 6 books for each adoption to be made. The Board usually selects 3 books from the committee recommendations in each subject except reading for which 5 are selected. The Board has complete power over selection and adoption, including making single basal adoptions. The State Textbook Fund consists of amounts appropriated by the Legislature.

New Mexico

The State Board of Education appoints appraisal committees and sub-committees covering all related subjects. Members include people experienced in the field under consideration with privilege of getting help from teachers. The sub-committees present findings to main committees for appraisal and the committees make recommendations to the Board of Education. The normal period of contract is 6 years. Funds are allocated on A.D.A. basis and per capita allowance varies from year to year.

North Carolina

The Governor, upon the recommendation of the State Superintendent, appoints a Textbook Commission of 12 members who shall hold office for 4 years. Seven must be outstanding teachers or principals in the elementary grades, and five must be outstanding teachers or principals in the high school grades. One of the members may be a county or city superintendent. Opinions of experts in technical fields may be obtained. Members of Commission evaluate books in their own grade division. From evaluations, the State Board of Education selects a multiple list and adopts, for a period of not less than 5 years, 2 basal primers for the first grade, 2 basal readers for each of the first three grades, 1 basal reader for grades 4-8 inclusive, and 1 basal book or series of books on all other subjects required to be taught in the first 8 grades, and 1 basal book for all subjects taught in the high school grades. The Division of Textbooks is responsible for the purchase of textbooks.

Oklahoma

The Textbook Committee is appointed by the Governor and is composed of 8 members (2 each year) who must be active educators and serve 4 years. The Committee makes selections on a multiple basis (5 in each subject or field). Opinions of subject matter experts may be obtained. The Textbook Division, by authority delegated by the State Board of Education, makes all purchases for the individual schools. Funds are appropriated and allocated to each school district on an enrollment basis. The 1961-62 allocation is \$3.15 per enrolled student in grades 1-12. The textbook fund is non-fiscal. The present annual appropriation is \$1,560,000.

South Carolina

The State Board of Education makes adoption of uniform list of books. The state law makes no attempt to define the method that the State Board uses in adopting books.