

# HB4448 • Texas

Relating to an automated artificial intelligence review of library material purchased by public schools; providing an administrative penalty.

Introduced

Risk: High

Comprehensive

Effective: Sep 01, 2025 | Last Action (Apr 02, 2025): Referred to Public Education

## Summary

This bill requires Texas public schools to use AI for reviewing library materials for sexual content before purchase, allowing parents to seek injunctive relief for non-compliance.

## Business Impact

If you operate a public school in Texas, you must submit library materials for AI review 90 days before purchase or face penalties.

## Key Provisions

- Schools must submit library materials for AI review 90 days before purchase.
- Third-party reviewers must verify AI results within 20 business days.
- Schools cannot purchase materials rated as sexually explicit.
- Parental consent is required for materials rated as sexually relevant.
- The agency will maintain a list of approved third-party reviewers.
- Penalties for non-compliance can reach \$10,000 per violation.
- Parents can bring an action for injunctive relief against non-compliant schools.

## Compliance Checklist

- Submit library materials for AI review | Who: Public schools and open-enrollment charter schools | Penalty: Up to \$10,000 for each violation
- Obtain parental consent for sexually relevant materials | Who: Public schools and open-enrollment charter schools | Penalty: Potential legal action for non-compliance

## Industries Affected

Government

Technology

Education

## Topics

AI in Education

## Bill Sponsors

Name	Party	Role
Hillary Hickland	R	Sponsor

## Official Source

<https://capitol.texas.gov/BillLookup/History.aspx?LegSess=89R&Bill;=HB4448>

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