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STUDENTS PUSH TO END SALES TAX ON TEXTBOOKS

August 10, 2001 (Atlanta, GA) - The Student Advisory Council, which represents 220,000 students in the 34 public colleges and universities in Georgia, are pushing House Bill #483 (authored by Don Wix of Mableton, GA) to end sales tax on textbooks.

The Council, with the help of student governments around the state, will sponsor petition drives at each of their respective bookstores on Aug. 20. SAC executives and Georgia Tech SGA members will appear at a petition drive at the Georgia Tech Bookstore in Atlanta from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. on that day. All media organization are invited to attend.

University System of Georgia students give \$3.85 million to the state each semester. That's an based on an average, per student, of \$350 per semester. SAC believes that students, many of whom are financially strapped, would better spend their own money.

The Student Advisory Council to the Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia (SAC) is the official representative body of the more than 200,000 students of the University System, consisting of the student body president or appointed delegate from each of Georgia's 34 public colleges and universities. SAC considers issues affecting students and makes recommendations to the Board of Regents, the Georgia Legislature, and the Governor.

For more information on "SAC the Tax", visit:

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