

Members of the committee,

My name is Drake Robinson, I am a twenty-year-old junior studying Political Science at Wichita State. This semester, textbooks for my college classes cost me just over \$450. The taxes for that amount rounded up to \$50. Along with being a full-time student, I also work twenty hours a week at a bank and pay for my own tuition. Fifty extra dollars to a college student is money that could be better spent on groceries, school supplies, etc. I urge this committee to pass Representative Hoheisel's bill exempting sales tax on textbooks bought at college bookstores. If passed, this legislation would be a step in the right direction to bring some relief to myself, my friends at WSU who have financial struggles, and thousands of students across the state who pursue higher education.