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| **Introduced By:** | Chair Hellinger |  |  |
| **Sponsored By:** | Mixed and Emerging Technology  Integration Lab |  |  |
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| **First Reading:** |  |  |  |
| **Committee Action:** | 6-0-0 |  |  |
| **Second Reading:** |  |  |  |
| **Third Reading:** |  |  |  |
| **Final Vote**: |  |  |  |

# University of Central Florida

**Forty-Third Student Body Senate**

**Resolution 43-XX**

[Resolution In Support of Expanded Course Adoption of Electronic Textbooks]

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### AUTHORIZING SIGNATURES

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Speaker of the Senate Senate President Pro Tempore

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