College bookstores sued for booklists; Coop is unaffected

By Diana ben-Aaron
While public college bookstores in California and New Hampshire have been accused of violating anti-monopoly laws for refusing to release the booklists for college courses to local private bookstores, and have been subsequently compelled to release the lists, the Harvard Cooperative Society has so far escaped such charges.

"If there is such an ordinance [in Cambridge], I would be surprised to hear of it," said Birge Albright, legal counsel to the city of Cambridge.

A privately run bookstore such as the Coop decides what information it wants to release, said a staff member of the Citizens' Information Service.

"We don't have booklists," said the Coop's book director, Dan DeLellis. The Coop uses tags on the textbook shelves instead of a complete list of textbooks, he said. "Another side of clover and make a list" of the books used in MIT and Harvard subjects, DeLellis noted.

No other bookstore has ever asked for a Harvard or MIT booklist, according to James M. Argeros, general manager of the Harvard Cooperative Society. Textbook sales are "an unprofitable monopoly and anyone who is interested in [the market] can certainly have them," Argeros said. The Coop, like most college bookstores, loses money on textbook sales, he noted.

"We don't sell the books for any more or any less than the publisher's last price," Argeros said. Although publishers often give bookstores a 20 percent discount on textbooks, the store overhead is about 23 percent of the cost of the books, preventing the store from making a profit and passing the discount on to students.

"You have to operate the whole store on that 20 percent margin," DeLellis explained.

Selling textbooks is "a very narrow definition of the Coop's mission," said Argeros. The Coop exists "to address academic needs - principally textbooks."

Although private stores have accused state college bookstores of unfair pricing for not charging sales tax on any merchandise (including athletic equipment and memorabilia), the Coop waives the sales tax on textbooks only, in accordance with Massachusetts state law.

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