

AMENDMENT

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TO: SCS CSHB 212(FIN), Draft Version "M"

1 Page 1, following line 4:

2 Insert new bill sections to read:

3 **** Section 1. AS 14.11.013(a) is amended to read:**

4 (a) With regard to projects for which grants are requested under AS 14.11.011,
5 the department shall

6 (1) annually review the six-year plans submitted by each district under
7 AS 14.11.011(b) and recommend to the board a revised and updated six-year capital
8 improvement project grant schedule that serves the best interests of the state and each
9 district; in recommending projects for this schedule, the department shall verify that
10 each proposed project meets the criteria established under AS 14.11.014(b) and
11 qualifies as a project required to

12 (A) avert imminent danger or correct life-threatening
13 situations;

14 (B) house students who would otherwise be unhoused; for
15 purposes of this subparagraph, students are considered unhoused if the students
16 attend school in temporary facilities;

17 (C) protect the structure of existing school facilities;

18 (D) correct building code deficiencies that require major repair
19 or rehabilitation in order for the facility to continue to be used for the
20 educational program;

21 (E) achieve an operating cost savings;

22 (F) modify or rehabilitate facilities for the purpose of
23 improving the instructional program;

(G) meet an educational need not specified in (A) - (F) of this paragraph, identified by the department;

(2) prepare an estimate of the amount of money needed to finance each project;

(3) provide to the governor, by November 1, and to the legislature within the first 10 days of each regular legislative session, a revised and updated six-year capital improvement project grant schedule, together with a proposed schedule of appropriations;

(4) encourage each school district to use previously approved school construction design plans and building systems if the use will result in cost savings for the project;

(5) consider the regionally based model school standards developed under AS 14.11.017(d).

* **Sec. 2.** AS 14.11.013(b) is amended to read:

(b) In preparing the construction grant schedule, the department shall establish priorities among projects for which grants are requested and shall award school construction grants in the order of priority established. In establishing priorities the department shall evaluate at least the following factors, without establishing an absolute priority for any one factor:

(1) emergency requirements;

(2) priorities assigned by the district to the projects requested;

(3) new local elementary and secondary programs;

(4) existing regional, community, and school facilities, and their condition; this paragraph does not include administrative facilities;

(5) the amount of district operating funds expended for maintenance;

[AND]

(6) other options that would reduce or eliminate the need for the request;

(7) the district's use of previously approved school construction design plans and building systems if the use will result in cost savings for the project; and

(8) consideration of regionally based model school standards under AS 14.11.017(d).

* **Sec. 3.** AS 14.11.013(c) is amended to read:

(c) The department may

(1) modify a project request when necessary to achieve cost-effective school construction;

(2) require that a school construction project be phased for purposes of planning, design, and construction; [AND]

(3) reject project requests and omit them from the six-year schedule due to

(A) incomplete information or documentation provided by the district;

(B) a determination by the department that existing facilities can adequately serve the program requirements, or that alternative projects are in the best interests of the state;

(C) a determination that the project is not in the best interest of the state; and

(4) require that a school construction project include all or part of the regionally based model school standards developed under AS 14.11.017(d) or reuse previously approved design plans and building systems that would result in capital or operating cost savings for the project.

* **Sec. 4.** AS 14.11.017 is amended by adding a new subsection to read:

(d) The department shall develop and periodically update regionally based model school construction standards that describe acceptable building systems and anticipated costs and establish school design ratios to achieve efficient and cost-effective school construction. In developing the standards, the department shall consider the standards and criteria developed under AS 14.11.014(b)."

Page 1, line 5:

Delete "Section 1"

Insert "Sec. 5"

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2 Renumber the following bill sections accordingly.