

ASSEMBLY BILL

No. 986

Introduced by Assembly Member Gipson

February 26, 2015

An act to amend Section 17280 of the Education Code, relating to school facilities.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 986, as introduced, Gipson. School facilities: Field Act.

The Field Act requires the Department of General Services under the police power of the state to supervise the design and construction of any school building or the reconstruction or alteration of or addition to any school building, if not exempted, to ensure that plans and specifications comply with the adopted rules and regulations and building standards published in regulations, and to ensure that the work of construction is performed in accordance with the approved plans and specifications for the protection of life and property.

This bill would make nonsubstantive changes to the provision described above.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: no.
State-mandated local program: no.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

1 SECTION 1. Section 17280 of the Education Code is amended
2 to read:
3 17280. (a) (1) The Department of General Services under the
4 police power of the state shall supervise the design and construction
5 of any school building or the reconstruction or alteration of or

1 addition to any school building, if not exempted under Section
2 17295, to ensure that *the* plans and specifications comply with the
3 rules and regulations adopted pursuant to this article and building
4 standards published in Title 24 of the California Code of
5 Regulations, and to ensure that the work of construction ~~has been~~
6 *is* performed in accordance with the approved plans and
7 specifications, for the protection of life and property. ~~Nothing in~~
8 ~~this section shall be construed to~~ *This article does not* allow a
9 school district to perform work with its own forces in excess of
10 the limitations set forth in Sections 17595 and 17599. In calculating
11 the cost of any project of reconstruction or alteration of, or addition
12 to, any school building for the purpose of determining the
13 applicability of the rules and regulations adopted pursuant to this
14 article and building standards published in Title 24 of the California
15 Code of Regulations, the Department of General Services shall
16 not include, as an element of that cost, any expenses of
17 air-conditioning equipment or insulation materials for that building,
18 or of installing the equipment or materials.

19 (2) In the alternative, for a leased or purchased building, a school
20 district may comply with this section by complying with Section
21 17280.5.

22 (b) Whenever repairs due to fire damage, ~~not including any~~
23 ~~damage caused by wind or earthquake,~~ must be made to any school
24 building previously approved by the Department of General
25 Services, the approved plans and specifications used in the original
26 work under then existing rules, regulations, and building standards
27 may be used without modification, providing all other provisions
28 of this article are carried out. *This subdivision does not apply to*
29 *damage caused by wind or earthquake.*

30 (c) Notwithstanding any other ~~provision of law,~~ ~~no~~ a school
31 district shall *not* be authorized to construct or reconstruct any
32 school building, regardless of the source of funding, unless and
33 until the governing board of the district, by resolution, ~~has indicated~~
34 *indicates* the agreement of the district that any school building
35 construction or reconstruction that exceeds those construction costs
36 and allowable area standards or any allowable building area
37 computed for an attendance area pursuant to Section 17041 shall,
38 in the event of the district's subsequent application for state funding
39 for school facility construction, be deducted from the allowable
40 building area for which the district would otherwise have been

1 ~~eligible, which~~ *eligible*. *This* restriction shall not be subject to
2 waiver or exception as otherwise may be provided by law.
3 (d) If it is determined that, for any reason, a school district failed
4 to comply with the requirement of this section, the district shall
5 not be eligible for any additional building area pursuant to Section
6 17049 and may be denied any time priority established for the
7 particular project pursuant to Section 17016.

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