

Amendment to HB 1818-FN

1 Amend the title of the bill by replacing it with the following:

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3 AN ACT requiring the department of education to use its 10-year school facilities plans to plan
4 and project out building consolidation projects.

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6 Amend the bill by replacing all after the enacting clause with the following:

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8 1 Education; School Building Aid; Grant for School Construction. Amend RSA 198:15-a, V to
9 read as follows:

10 V. The department of education shall develop and maintain a 10-year school facilities plan of
11 potential school building grant projects. Potential projects shall include, but not be limited to,
12 criteria pursuant to RSA 198:15-c, II(b). The 10-year plan is intended to create a method to identify
13 and enhance school facilities in a safe, healthy, and efficient manner while providing adequate
14 learning environments for New Hampshire's students. The 10-year plan shall be updated every
15 biennium to provide the department a summary of projects and school facility capital expenditures
16 that are anticipated for the next 10 years. The plan shall identify new construction, renovation, and
17 emergency projects, and describe the overall condition of projects contained in the plan. In support
18 of the 10-year plan, it is recommended that each district *shall* have in place and provide the
19 department a long-range capital improvement program that identifies school facility goals, provides
20 projected expenditures, and outlines procedures and guidelines to be followed to accomplish goals.
21 Each district [~~is encouraged to~~] *shall* review and update the district's anticipated school facility
22 capital improvement plan on a 2-year recurring basis or as needed. The department shall use this
23 information to better plan, prioritize, and project new anticipated capital construction [~~and~~],
24 *building consolidation, and* renovation expenditures relative to the state building aid program.
25 The state board of education shall adopt rules pursuant to RSA 541-A relative to this [~~paragraph~~]
26 *section*.

27 2 Effective Date. This act shall take effect 60 days after its passage.

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AMENDED ANALYSIS

This bill requires the department of education to use its 10-year school facilities plans to plan and project out building consolidation projects.