

As Amended by Senate Committee

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SENATE BILL No. 41

By Committee on Federal and State Affairs

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10 AN ACT concerning fire safety and prevention; relating to construction
11 standards of school buildings; amending K.S.A. ~~2002~~ **2003** Supp. 31-
12 150 and repealing the existing section.

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14 *Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Kansas:*

15 Section 1. K.S.A. ~~2001~~ **2003** Supp. 31-150 is hereby amended to
16 read as follows: 31-150. (a) Except as otherwise provided in subsection
17 (b), the construction of school buildings shall comply with the require-
18 ments of the ~~1985 edition of the uniform building code, volume I, and~~
19 ~~the 1985 edition of the uniform mechanical code, of the international~~
20 ~~conference of building officials~~ *2000 edition of the international building*
21 *code, of the international code council and the 2000 edition of the uniform*
22 *mechanical code as published by the international association of plumbing*
23 *and mechanical officials or the 2000 edition of the international mechan-*
24 *ical code as published by the international codes council. All electric wir-*
25 *ing shall conform to requirements of the* ~~1984~~ *1999* *issue of the national*
26 *electric code of the national fire protection association. Minimum plumb-*
27 *ing requirements shall meet the* ~~1985~~ *2000* *edition of the uniform plumb-*
28 *ing code issued by the international association of plumbing and me-*
29 *chanical officials or the 2000 edition of the international plumbing code*
30 *as published by the international codes council.*

31 (b) The construction of mobile, modular, portable or relocatable
32 school buildings shall conform to the requirements of the ~~1985~~ *2000*
33 *edition of the life safety code as adopted as published by the national fire*
34 *protection association. Minimum plumbing requirements shall meet the*
35 ~~1985~~ *2000* *edition of the uniform plumbing code issued by the interna-*
36 *tional association of plumbing and mechanical officials or the 2000 edition*
37 *of the international plumbing code as published by the international codes*
38 *council.*

39 (c) The construction of all school buildings shall conform to the pro-
40 visions for making buildings and facilities accessible to, and usable by,
41 persons with a disability, as required by K.S.A. 58-1301 through 58-1311,
42 and amendments thereto.

43 (d) No contract shall be let for the construction of any school build-

1 ing, and it shall be illegal to pay out any public funds for the construction
2 of a school building until the plans for such building shall: (1) Bear the
3 seal of an architect or a professional engineer licensed by the state board
4 of technical professions of the state of Kansas certifying that the plans
5 meet the applicable requirements of this act; and (2) be submitted to the
6 state board of education for approval as to compliance with such
7 requirements.

8 (e) The provisions of subsections (c) and (d) of this section shall not
9 apply to any building or structure operated or used for any purpose by,
10 or located upon the land of any community college, area vocational school,
11 area vocational-technical school, technical college, ~~or municipal univer-~~
12 ~~sity~~, institution under the governance of the state board of regents ~~or~~
13 ~~other institutions of post secondary education as defined by K.S.A. 74-~~
14 ~~3249, and amendments thereto.~~ Prior to construction of any new building
15 or remodeling of any existing building, all community colleges, area vo-
16 cational schools, area vocational-technical schools, technical colleges ~~and,~~
17 ~~any municipal university~~, institutions under the governance of the state
18 board of regents ~~or other institutions of post secondary education as de-~~
19 ~~finied by K.S.A. 74-3249, and amendments thereto,~~ shall submit to the
20 state fire marshal a code footprint for evaluation and approval of the fire/
21 life safety features of such buildings.

22 (f) The relocation of school buildings to which the provisions of sub-
23 section (b) apply shall not be construed to be construction or reconstruc-
24 tion under the provisions, or for the purposes, of this section.

25 (g) The construction or reconstruction of any school building to
26 which the provisions of this section were applicable prior to ~~January 26,~~
27 ~~1992 July 1, 2003~~ **January 1, 2006**, shall be governed by the provisions
28 of this section which were in effect on the date *on which* the contract for
29 such construction or reconstruction was entered ~~into~~.

30 (h) The state fire marshal shall adopt rules and regulations specifying
31 those subsequent editions of the codes enumerated in subsections (a) and
32 (b) which the state fire marshal has determined provide protection equiv-
33 alent to those editions specified herein. Compliance with any subsequent
34 edition specified by such rules and regulations shall be considered com-
35 pliance with the edition of the code specified by this section.

36 Sec. 2. K.S.A. ~~2002~~ **2003** Supp. 31-150 is hereby repealed.

37 Sec. 3. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its
38 publication in the statute book.