94TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

State of Illinois

2005 and 2006

HB3879

Introduced 2/28/2005, by Rep. Tom Cross

SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

105 ILCS 230/5-30

Amends the School Construction Law. Provides that the State Board of Education shall rank school districts based on certain school construction priorities and notify each school district of its rank. Provides that the Commission on Government Forecasting and Accountability may take whatever actions are necessary to determine whether the State Board of Education is complying with this amendatory Act. Effective immediately.

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FISCAL NOTE ACT MAY APPLY HB3879

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AN ACT concerning education.

2 Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois, 3 represented in the General Assembly:

4 Section 5. The School Construction Law is amended by 5 changing Section 5-30 as follows:

6 (105 ILCS 230/5-30)

Sec. 5-30. Priority of school construction projects. The State Board of Education shall develop standards for the determination of priority needs concerning school construction projects based upon approved district facilities plans. Such standards shall call for prioritization based on the degree of need and project type in the following order:

(1) Replacement or reconstruction of school buildings
destroyed or damaged by flood, tornado, fire, earthquake,
or other disasters, either man-made or produced by nature;

16 (2) Projects designed to alleviate a shortage of
 17 classrooms due to population growth or to replace aging
 18 school buildings;

19 (3) Projects resulting from interdistrict 20 reorganization of school districts contingent on local 21 referenda;

(4) Replacement or reconstruction of school facilities
determined to be severe and continuing health or life
safety hazards;

(5) Alterations necessary to provide accessibility for
 qualified individuals with disabilities; and

(6) Other unique solutions to facility needs.
The State Board of Education may not make any material changes
to the standards in effect on May 18, 2004, unless the State
Board of Education is specifically authorized by law.

31 <u>The State Board of Education shall rank school districts</u>
 32 <u>based on the priorities listed in this Section and notify each</u>

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<u>school district of its rank on or before December 31, 2006. The</u>
 <u>Commission on Government Forecasting and Accountability may</u>
 <u>take whatever actions are necessary to determine whether the</u>
 <u>State Board of Education is complying with this amendatory Act</u>
 <u>of the 94th General Assembly.</u>
 (Source: P.A. 93-679, eff. 6-30-04.)
 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon

8 becoming law.