

AN ACT concerning education.

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

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

(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, mine subsidence, or other disasters, either man-made or produced by nature;

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

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

(4) Replacement, rehabilitation, 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.

Except for those changes absolutely necessary to comply with the changes made to subsection (c) of Section 5-25 of this Law by Public Act 96-37, 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.

(Source: P.A. 96-37, eff. 7-13-09; 96-102, eff. 7-29-09; 96-1000, eff. 7-2-10.)

Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect June 1, 2012.