

Stricken language would be deleted from present law. Underlined language would be added to present law.

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# A Bill

SENATE BILL 428

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5 By: Senator Mahony  
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## For An Act To Be Entitled

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9 "AN ACT TO AMEND ARKANSAS CODE ANNOTATED §§ 6-20-1406 AND  
10 6-20-1407 PERTAINING TO SCHOOLHOUSE CONSTRUCTION  
11 STANDARDS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES."  
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## Subtitle

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14 "TO AMEND A.C.A. §§ 6-20-1406 AN 6-20-  
15 1407 PERTAINING TO SCHOOLHOUSE  
16 CONSTRUCTION STANDARDS."  
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18 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:  
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20 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code Annotated § 6-20-1406 is amended to read as  
21 follows:

22 "6-20-1406. Standards for school construction.

23 (a) The State Board of Education shall establish reasonable minimum  
24 standards for schoolhouse construction, and standards may be revised from time  
25 to time as educational problems and methods of procedure develop and change.

26 (b) The standards shall ~~take into consideration the recommendations of~~  
27 ~~the Arkansas Chapter of the American Institute of Architecture, the Fire~~  
28 ~~Prevention Bureau, and the State Board of Health.~~ include review and approval  
29 by all appropriate and applicable state agencies, boards, and local officials  
30 for, including, but not limited to, the following:

31 (1) Plumbing Code, §§ 17-38-101 et seq., and Heating, Ventilation,  
32 Air Conditioning, and Refrigeration (HVACR) Code, §§ 17-33-101 et seq.,  
33 compliance;

34 (2) Fire Prevention Code, §§ 12-13-101 et seq., and Seismic Code,  
35 §§ 12-80-101 et seq., compliance;

36 (3) State Building Services adopted Americans with Disabilities

1 Act Accessibility Guidelines, 28 C.F.R. Part 36, App. A, compliance; and  
2 (4) Architectural Act, §§ 17-15-101 et seq., Professional  
3 Engineers, §§ 17-30-101 et seq., and Public Works, §§ 22-9-101 et seq.,  
4 compliance.

5 (c) As used in this section and in § 6-20-1407, schoolhouse means any  
6 elementary or secondary school district facility that will be used for  
7 administrative, educational, or physical education purposes."

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9 SECTION 2. Arkansas Code Annotated § 6-20-1407 is amended to read as  
10 follows:

11 "6-20-1407. Approval of building plans.

12 (a) No new schoolhouse shall be built except in accordance with the  
13 plan finally approved by the State Board of Education for all projects where  
14 the board requires its approval thereof.

15 (b) A copy of approved plans and specifications of all new schoolhouses  
16 or additions shall be filed with and approved by the State Board of Education  
17 before construction shall be commenced, where so required by the board.

18 (c)(1) A copy of final construction documents shall be submitted to  
19 Arkansas State Building Services, Architectural Section, for review in regard  
20 to compliance with the Arkansas Adopted Accessibility Guidelines (ADAAG-  
21 American with Disabilities Act Accessibility Guidelines).

22 (2) All review comments received from Arkansas State Building  
23 Services shall be in writing.

24 (3) Corrected construction documents shall be received and  
25 approved by Arkansas State Building Services.

26 (4) No project shall be released for bidding or construction  
27 until the requirements of § 6-20-1406 and this section are met."

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29 SECTION 3. All provisions of this act of a general and permanent nature  
30 are amendatory to the Arkansas Code of 1987 Annotated and the Arkansas Code  
31 Revision Commission shall incorporate the same in the Code.

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33 SECTION 4. If any provision of this act or the application thereof to  
34 any person or circumstance is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect  
35 other provisions or applications of the act which can be given effect without  
36 the invalid provision or application, and to this end the provisions of this

1 act are declared to be severable.

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3 SECTION 5. All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this act are  
4 hereby repealed.

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