

SCHOOL BONDING FOR SEISMIC PURPOSES

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STATE OF UTAH

Chief Sponsor: Gage Froerer

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LONG TITLE

General Description:

This bill imposes requirements on a school district regarding the use of bond proceeds.

Highlighted Provisions:

This bill:

- requires a school district to use a portion of the proceeds of a general obligation bond issued after May 8, 2012, to conduct or update a seismic safety evaluation of a school district building constructed before 1975; and

- provides that a school district is not required to conduct or update a seismic safety evaluation of a building constructed before 1975 if the school district performed a seismic safety evaluation on the building within 25 years of May 8, 2012.

Money Appropriated in this Bill:

None

Other Special Clauses:

None

Utah Code Sections Affected:

ENACTS:

53A-18-107, Utah Code Annotated 1953

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the state of Utah:

Section 1. Section **53A-18-107** is enacted to read:

53A-18-107. Requirement to use bond proceeds for seismic safety evaluations.

(1) If a school district issues a general obligation bond pursuant to Title 11, Chapter 14,

30 Local Government Bonding, after May 8, 2012, the school district shall use a portion of the
31 bond proceeds to:

32 (a) except as provided in Subsection (3), conduct or update a seismic safety evaluation
33 of each school district building:

34 (i) constructed before 1975; and

35 (ii) used by the school district as a school; and

36 (b) provide a copy of a seismic safety evaluation prepared under Subsection (1)(a) to
37 the Utah Seismic Safety Commission created in Section 63C-6-101.

38 (2) A seismic safety evaluation conducted under Subsection (1) shall be conducted by a
39 licensed structural engineer familiar with seismic codes.

40 (3) A school district is not required to conduct or update a seismic safety evaluation of
41 a building as required in Subsection (1)(a) if the school district performed a seismic safety
42 evaluation or study on the building within 25 years of May 8, 2012.