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Evaluating Existing Buildings

The Superintendent or designee shall periodically evaluate the adequacy and design of existing district facilities to determine whether they meet the needs of the instructional program and provide a healthful and pleasing environment for students and staff.

(cf. 0410 - Nondiscrimination in District Programs and Activities)
(cf. 3511 - Energy and Water Conservation)
(cf. 3514 - Environmental Safety)
(cf. 3515 - Campus Security)
(cf. 3516 - Emergencies and Disaster Preparedness Plan)
(cf. 3517 - Facilities Inspection)

In addition, the Superintendent or designee shall regularly calculate the capacity of existing school buildings to adequately house the district's current students and projected enrollments.

Any identified needs for repair, modernization, or construction shall be incorporated into the district's facilities planning process.

(cf. 7110 - Facilities Master Plan)

Structural Safety

In the event that the Department of General Services or any licensed structural engineer or licensed architect finds and reports to the Governing Board that a district building is unsafe for use, the Superintendent or designee shall immediately obtain an estimate of the cost of repairs or reconstruction necessary to bring the building up to legal standards for structural safety. The Board shall establish a system of priorities for the repair, reconstruction or replacement of unsafe school buildings. (Education Code 17367)

A relocatable school building or structure shall meet the requirements of Education Code 17280-17317 and 17365-17374 pertaining to structural safety. However, a relocatable building that does not meet the requirements of Education Code 17280 may be used as a school building until September 30, 2015, if all the conditions specified in Education Code 17292 are met and the Board so certifies to the Department of General Services. (Education Code 17291, 17292)

Energy Efficiency

To the extent that services are available, the Superintendent or designee shall arrange for the energy audit of school buildings to identify the type and amount of work necessary to retrofit buildings and obtain an estimate of projected energy savings. The district may contract with

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qualified businesses capable of retrofitting these buildings and may borrow funds which do not exceed the amount of energy savings to be accumulated from the improvement of the buildings. (Education Code 17651-17653)

Legal Reference: *EDUCATION CODE* 17070.10-17077.10 Leroy F. Greene School Facilities Act of 1998 especially: 17071.10-17071.40 Existing school building capacity 17280-17316 Building approvals 17365-17374 Fitness for occupancy 17650-17653 Retrofitting school facilities for energy conservation *GOVERNMENT CODE* 53097 Compliance with city or county ordinances 53097.5 Inspection of schools by city or county *CODE OF REGULATIONS, TITLE 2* 1859-1859.106 Regulations relating to the Leroy F. Greene School Facilities Act of 1998

Management Resources: *CSBA PUBLICATIONS* Maximizing School Board Governance: School Facilities Managmenet *WEB SITES* CSBA: http://www.csba.org California Energy Commission, Bright Schools Program: http://www.energy.ca.gov/efficiency/brightschools Coalition for Adequate School Housing: http://www.cashnet.org Department of General Services, Office of Public School Construction: http://www.dgs.ca.gov./opsc/

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