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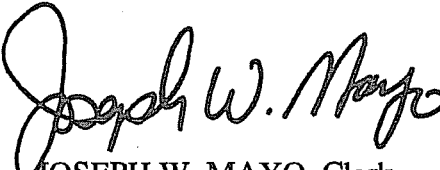
No. 306

H.P. 238

House of Representatives, February 4, 1993

An Act to Establish Uniform Building Designs for Public Schools.

Reference to the Committee on Education suggested and ordered printed.


JOSEPH W. MAYO, Clerk

Presented by Representative KUTASI of Bridgton.

Cosponsored by Representatives: BENNETT of Norway, CARLETON of Wells, HEINO of Boothbay, LINDAHL of Northport, PLOURDE of Biddeford, PLOWMAN of Hampden.

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows:

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4 **Sec. 1. 5 MRSA §1742, sub-§24, ¶B**, as repealed and replaced by PL 1989, c. 502, Pt. A, §17, is amended to read:

6 B. The indoor air quality and ventilation standards applied
8 by the bureau shall remain in effect until the Board of
10 Occupational Safety and Health adopts air quality and
12 ventilation standards; and

14 **Sec. 2. 5 MRSA §1742, sub-§25**, as enacted by PL 1989, c. 502,
16 Pt. A, §18, is amended to read:

18 **25. Sites for child care programs.** To review, in
20 cooperation with the Office of Child Care Coordination in the
22 Department of Human Services, feasible sites for child care
24 programs offered primarily as a service to state employees
26 pursuant to Title 22, section 8307, subsection 2+ ; and

28 **Sec. 3. 5 MRSA §1742, sub-§26** is enacted to read:

30 **26. Rules for uniform school construction.** To adopt rules
32 for selecting uniform school construction designs as defined in
34 Title 20-A, section 15908, subsection 5. The rules must be
36 adopted pursuant to Title 5, chapter 375.

38 **Sec. 4. 20-A MRSA §15908, sub-§§4 and 5** are enacted to read:

40 **4. Uniform school construction designs.** The department and
42 the Department of Administrative and Financial Services, Bureau
44 of General Services shall choose 3 uniform designs for
46 construction of all new schools funded with state money: one for
48 elementary schools; one for middle schools; and one for secondary
50 schools. For the purpose of this provision, "middle school"
 refers to a public school designed for regular instruction of
 students in a sequential range of grades anywhere between grade 3
 to grade 10. The designs chosen by the department and the bureau
 must permit a variety of building sizes to accommodate different
 numbers of students.

5. Process for establishing designs. The Department of
 Administrative and Financial Services, Bureau of General Services
 shall establish by rule a process for choosing uniform
 construction designs for elementary, middle and secondary schools
 that invites design bids and provides opportunity for public
 comment. Following completion of the design submission and
 public comment process, the department and the bureau shall
 select the 3 standard designs.

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STATEMENT OF FACT

4 This bill directs the Department of Administrative and
6 Financial Services, Bureau of General Services and the Department
8 of Education to establish 3 standard designs for construction of
10 new public schools built in whole or in part with state funds.
12 One design each will be selected for elementary schools, middle
 schools and secondary schools. The bureau will establish a
 process that invites submission of school construction designs
 and permits public comment on school designs before choosing the
 designs.