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1 A bill to be entitled

2 An act relating to building standards for educational  
3 facilities; creating s. 1013.375, F.S.; requiring that  
4 educational facilities of a school district, a community  
5 college, a university, or the Florida School for the Deaf  
6 and the Blind meet specified minimum standards for energy  
7 efficiency and sustainability; providing that the  
8 standards apply to a facility that is newly constructed or  
9 that undergoes renovation costing more than a specified  
10 amount; providing an exception for projects approved  
11 before a specified date; providing an effective date.

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13 Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

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15 Section 1. Section 1013.375, Florida Statutes, is created  
16 to read:

17 1013.375 New or renovated educational facilities; standards  
18 for energy efficiency and sustainability.--Each new educational  
19 facility, and each renovation of an educational facility which  
20 costs more than \$100,000, must achieve, at minimum, a silver-  
21 level certification in the rating system used by the United  
22 States Green Building Council's Leadership in Energy and  
23 Environmental Design or a two-globe rating in the Green Globe  
24 rating system used by the Green Building Initiative. This section  
25 does not apply to a facility if the board approves the design for  
26 the construction or renovation before July 1, 2009.

27 Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2008.