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LEGISLATIVE ACTION

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04/21/2015	.	
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The Committee on Fiscal Policy (Flores) recommended the following:

Senate Amendment (with title amendment)

Before line 49

insert:

Section 1. Section 1013.385, Florida Statutes, is created to read:

1013.385 School district construction flexibility.-

(1) A district school board, with a supermajority vote at a public meeting that begins no earlier than 5 p.m., may adopt a resolution to implement one or more of the exceptions to the



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11 educational facilities construction requirements provided in
12 this section. Before voting on the resolution, a district school
13 board must conduct a cost-benefit analysis prepared according to
14 a professionally accepted methodology that describes how each
15 exception selected by the district school board achieves cost
16 savings, improves the efficient use of school district
17 resources, and impacts the life-cycle costs and life span, as
18 applicable, for each educational facility to be constructed, as
19 applicable, and demonstrates that implementation of the
20 exception will not compromise student safety or the quality of
21 student instruction. The district school board must conduct at
22 least one public workshop to discuss and receive public comment
23 on the proposed resolution and cost-benefit analysis, which must
24 begin no earlier than 5 p.m. and may occur at the same meeting
25 at which the resolution will be voted upon.

26 (2) A resolution adopted under this section may propose
27 implementation of exceptions to requirements of the uniform
28 statewide building code for the planning and construction of
29 public educational and ancillary plants adopted pursuant to ss.
30 553.73 and 1013.37 relating to:

31 (a) Interior nonload-bearing walls, by approving the use of
32 fire-rated wood stud walls in new construction or remodeling for
33 interior nonload-bearing wall assemblies that will not be
34 exposed to water or located in wet areas.

35 (b) Walkways, roadways, driveways, and parking areas, by
36 approving the use of designated, stabilized, and well-drained
37 gravel or grassed student parking areas.

38 (c) Standards for relocatables used as classroom space, as
39 specified in s. 1013.20, by approving construction



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40 specifications for installation of relocatable buildings that do
41 not have covered walkways leading to the permanent buildings
42 onsite.

43 (d) Site lighting, by approving construction specifications
44 regarding site lighting which:

45 1. Do not provide for lighting of gravel or grassed
46 auxiliary or student parking areas.

47 2. Provide lighting for walkways, roadways, driveways,
48 paved parking lots, exterior stairs, ramps, and walkways from
49 the exterior of the building to a public walkway through
50 installation of a timer that is set to provide lighting only
51 during periods in which the site is occupied.

52 3. Allow lighting for building entrances and exits to be
53 installed with a timer that is set to provide lighting only
54 during periods in which the building is occupied. The minimum
55 illumination level at single-door exits may be reduced to no
56 less than 1 footcandle.

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58 ===== T I T L E A M E N D M E N T =====

59 And the title is amended as follows:

60 Delete lines 2 - 3

61 and insert:

62 An act relating to public educational facilities;
63 creating s. 1013.385, F.S.; providing for school
64 district construction flexibility; authorizing
65 exceptions to educational facilities construction
66 requirements under certain circumstances; creating s.
67 215.165, F.S.;