

HOUSE BILL NO. 4224

March 12, 2025, Introduced by Reps. Greene, Harris, Rigas, Woolford, Kunse, Schmaltz, Schuette, Thompson, Breen, Linting and Meerman and referred to Committee on Education and Workforce.

A bill to amend 1937 PA 306, entitled

"An act to promote the safety, welfare, and educational interests of the people of this state by regulating the construction, reconstruction, and remodeling of, and the installation of certain security devices at, certain public or private school buildings or additions to those buildings and by regulating the construction, reconstruction, and remodeling of, and the installation of certain security devices at, buildings leased or acquired for school purposes; to define the class of buildings affected by this act; to prescribe the powers and duties of certain state agencies and officials; to prescribe penalties for the violation of this act;

and to repeal acts and parts of acts,"

(MCL 388.851 to 388.855a) by amending the title, as amended by 2020 PA 45, and by adding sections 1e and 3a.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

1 TITLE

2 An act to promote the safety, welfare, and educational
3 interests of the people of this state by regulating the
4 construction, reconstruction, and remodeling of, and the
5 installation of certain security devices **and certain systems** at,
6 certain public or private school buildings or additions to those
7 buildings and by regulating the construction, reconstruction, and
8 remodeling of, and the installation of certain security devices **and**
9 **certain systems** at, buildings leased or acquired for school
10 purposes; to define the class of buildings affected by this act; to
11 prescribe the powers and duties of certain state agencies and
12 officials; **to provide for the establishment of safety guidelines**
13 **for certain public and private school buildings;** to prescribe
14 penalties for the violation of this act; and to repeal acts and
15 parts of acts.

16 Sec. 1e. (1) If an existing school building does not have an
17 emergency responder radio coverage system that operates and
18 integrates with this state's public safety communications system
19 before the effective date of the amendatory act that added this
20 section, then the administrative authority of the school building
21 shall, not later than 10 years after the effective date of the
22 amendatory act that added this section, install in each school
23 building an emergency responder radio coverage system that operates
24 and integrates with this state's public safety communications
25 system.

(2) The administrative authority of a school building shall coordinate with the department of technology, management, and budget, the public safety communications interoperability board, the Michigan state police, and local first responders in the installation of the emergency responder radio coverage system required under subsection (1) in the school building to ensure the interoperability of that emergency responder radio with local and state authorities and first responders. The department of technology, management, and budget and the public safety communications interoperability board are responsible for coordinating with wireless service providers to integrate wireless public safety broadband solutions with this state's public safety communications system.

(3) The emergency responder radio coverage system required under subsection (1) must comply with the minimum signal strength established under and based on the existing coverage levels of the public safety communication system utilized by the jurisdiction measured at the exterior of the school building and must be receivable and transmittable from all areas within the school building. The emergency responder radio coverage system required under subsection (1) must be evaluated with a test before being installed, tested, or maintained in accordance with all of the following:

(a) The state construction code promulgated by the state construction code commission under section 4 of the Stille-DeRossett-Hale single state construction code act, 1972 PA 230, MCL 125.1504, or a part of that code of limited application, including any modification of or amendment to the code.

(b) The fire prevention code, 1941 PA 207, MCL 29.1 to 29.33.

1 (c) The International Fire Code or the National Fire
2 Protection Life Safety Code.

3 (4) As used in this section, "administrative authority of a
4 school building" means the superintendent, principal chief
5 administrative officer, or other person having supervisory
6 authority of a school building.

7 Sec. 3a. (1) Not later than 90 days after the effective date
8 of the amendatory act that added this section, the bureau of
9 construction codes, after consultation with the school safety and
10 mental health commission created under section 1308h of the revised
11 school code, 1976 PA 451, MCL 380.1308h, the state fire marshal,
12 and the Michigan state police, shall establish safety guidelines to
13 assist schools with procedures for the lockdown of a school
14 building during a credible school safety threat. The guidelines
15 established under this section must include, but are not limited
16 to, 1 of the following:

17 (a) The impact of this state's fire and building codes on
18 lockdown and evacuation procedures.

19 (b) The removal of a manual fire alarm box from a vestibule at
20 the entrance of a school.

21 (2) The safety guidelines developed under subsection (1) must
22 comply with this act, the Stille-DeRossett-Hale single state
23 construction code act, 1972 PA 230, MCL 125.1501 to 125.1531, and
24 the fire prevention code, 1941 PA 207, MCL 29.1 to 29.33.

25 (3) The bureau of construction codes shall do all of the
26 following:

27 (a) Ensure that the safety guidelines are easily accessible
28 and publicly available on its website.

29 (b) Send a copy of the safety guidelines to all school

1 districts and law enforcement agencies in this state.

2 (c) Review and update the safety guidelines as it considers
3 necessary.

4 Enacting section 1. This amendatory act does not take effect
5 unless House Bill No. ____ (request no. H00074'25) of the 103rd
6 Legislature is enacted into law.