

By Senator Berman

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1 A bill to be entitled
2 An act relating to upgrades to education facilities as
3 emergency shelters; amending s. 1013.372, F.S.;
4 exempting costs not exceeding a specified sum
5 associated with certain upgrades to education
6 facilities from being included in certain cost per
7 student station calculations; specifying eligible
8 upgrades; requiring costs associated with certain
9 upgrades to be consistent with prevailing market costs
10 in the area in which the education facility is
11 located; 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. Present subsection (3) of section 1013.372,
16 Florida Statutes, is redesignated as subsection (4), and a new
17 subsection (3) is added to that section, to read:

18 1013.372 Education facilities as emergency shelters.—

19 (3) Any costs of less than \$2 million associated with
20 upgrades to an education facility which are designed to improve
21 the capabilities of the facility to provide enhanced hurricane
22 protection areas in accordance with the Florida Building Code
23 may not be included in calculating the total cost per student
24 station for the purpose of meeting the limits imposed under s.
25 1013.64 (6) (b) .

26 (a) Eligible upgrades under this subsection are limited to
27 those necessary for an area to be designated as an enhanced
28 hurricane protection area; electrical and standby emergency
29 power systems as provided in the Florida Building Code;

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30 renewable energy source devices as defined in s. 193.624(1); and
31 energy storage devices.

32 (b) All costs associated with upgrades made pursuant to
33 this subsection must be consistent with prevailing market costs
34 in the area in which the education facility is located.

35 Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2023.