

CONCISE EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

In accordance with the Administrative Procedures Act, R.I. Gen. Laws § 42-35-2.6, following is a concise explanatory statement:

AGENCY: Department of Elementary and Secondary Education

DIVISION: *(If any)*

RULE IDENTIFIER: 200-RICR-20-05-4

RULE TITLE: RI School Construction Regulations

REASON FOR RULEMAKING: This Regulation is intended to govern the process by which the Council performs its statutory functions of determining the necessity of school construction, establishing standards for design and construction of school buildings, approving projects for school housing aid reimbursement, and ensuring that school districts have adequate asset protection plans in place to maintain their school facilities.

These regulations will be revisited in the beginning of 2019.

ANY FINDING REQUIRED BY LAW AS A PREREQUISITE TO THE EFFECTIVENESS OF THE RULE: *(if any)*

TESTIMONY AND COMMENTS: No public comments were received and no public objections were received.

CHANGE TO TEXT OF THE RULE: There are no changes between the text that was noticed and the text that is being posted.

REGULATORY ANALYSIS: Technical changes throughout to update citations, remove non-regulatory footnotes, and incorporate examples as per new RICR format.

Amendment prompted by federal statutory or regulatory changes where the agency was able to use discretion