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Overview

Minnesota's health and safety revenue program allows a school district to develop a plan and receive revenue through a partially equalized levy to eliminate health and safety hazards in school facilities. The 2003 Legislature limited health and safety revenue for certain purposes and specifically excluded the costs of new flooring and new walls from the costs eligible for health and safety revenue. For example, under these changes, a district may use health and safety revenue to abate the source of the mold and remove a moldy carpet, but the district may not use health and safety revenue to purchase new floor coverings.

This bill allows school districts to receive health and safety revenue for the purpose of replacing walls and floor coverings that were removed in order to abate a mold problem.

Section

Uses of Health and Safety Revenue. Includes in the qualifying list of uses of health and safety revenue the costs associated with building repairs preformed to fix an identified mold abatement problem, specifically including the costs of new flooring and the costs or new walls.