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Bill Summary

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Overview

This bill expands safe schools revenue used to include safety projects related to violence prevention activities including facility improvements designed to enhance building security, and communications equipment such as public announcement systems and emergency communications devices.

A school district is eligible for safe schools revenue of up to \$30 per pupil unit. The revenue may be used for a variety of student and staff safety purposes including police liaison officers, DARE programs, gang resistance education, school security costs, other school safety measures, and to pay for licensed school support staff.

Section

Safe schools levy. Expands the uses of the safe schools levy to include: (1) demolition, repair, replacement, and installation of new equipment and structural remodeling related to violence prevention; and (2) enhanced facility security equipment including public announcement systems and emergency communication devices.