

Subject: [External] Follow Up - Performance Contracting Statue to Miscellaneous Education Bill

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Dear Members of Senate Education Committee:

Thank you very much for your time on Tuesday. I just wanted to follow up, If you could add our requested clarification to the Miscellaneous Education Bill it would remove ambiguity, prevent delays, and allow districts to act quickly and responsibly to protect students and staff when making needed upgrades to their school buildings.

As I mentioned in my testimony, two scenarios of where this language would provide helpful clarity are: Boiler room expansion for fuel switching (e.g., oil → wood chip system) and replacement of non-code-compliant modular classrooms.

Below is the Performance Contracting Statue with a bold/highlighted location where we would like to add the word “additions” to the list of “cost saving measures”.

§ 3448f is amended to read

§ 3448f. Energy performance contracting; authorization; State aid

(a) Definitions. As used in this section:

(1) “Cost-saving measure” means any facility improvement, repair, **addition**, or alteration or any equipment, fixture, or furnishing to be constructed or installed in any facility that is designed to reduce energy consumption and operating costs or to increase the operating efficiency of facilities for their appointed functions, that is cost effective, and that is further defined by State Board rule.

Please let me know if you have any further questions. You can also check in with Patti Komline or Gabrielle Malina who are in the State House every day.

Again, Thank you very much for your time and best of luck with the rest of the Session!



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