

House Bill 1068

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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED  
AN ACT

1 To amend Code Section 20-2-16 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the  
2 acceptance and allotment of federal aid and other funds for school construction, determining  
3 needs, planning financing, building code, and safety inspections and recommendations, so  
4 as to provide that each school building shall have at least two means of access to a public  
5 street or road; to provide for exceptions; to provide for applicability; to repeal conflicting  
6 laws; and for other purposes.

7 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

8 **SECTION 1.**

9 Code Section 20-2-16 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the acceptance  
10 and allotment of federal aid and other funds for school construction, determining needs,  
11 planning financing, building code, and safety inspections and recommendations, is amended  
12 by striking in its entirety subsection (b) and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

13 "(b)(1) In order to assist the boards of education of county and independent school  
14 systems, upon their request, the state board is authorized to make comprehensive studies  
15 to determine the need for and the location of public school buildings, to determine the  
16 safety and educational requirements of public school buildings, to plan the methods of  
17 financing the cost of constructing and equipping such buildings, and to establish a code  
18 of school building practices and standards.

19 (2) Each school building in this state shall have at least two separate means of access to  
20 a public street or road; provided, however, that any school facility upon which  
21 construction was begun prior to July 1, 2004, shall be exempt from the provisions of this  
22 paragraph."

23 **SECTION 2.**

24 All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.