

75-2321. Districts with extraordinary declining enrollment; consultation with joint committee on state building construction, when. (a) As used in this section:

(1) "School district" or "district" means a school district which has an extraordinary declining enrollment.

(2) "Extraordinary declining enrollment" means an enrollment which has declined during the preceding three school years at a rate of at least 5% per year or by at least 50 pupils per year, whichever is greater.

(3) "Joint committee" means the joint committee on state building construction.

(b) The board of education of any school district shall not authorize the issuance of any bonds for the construction of a new building without having first advised and consulted with the joint committee. Prior to the date of the hearing of the joint committee at which the board is scheduled to appear, the board shall submit any information requested by the joint committee. Following such hearing, the committee shall make a recommendation on the advisability of the proposed issuance of bonds. A copy of the committee's recommendation shall be provided to the school district and to the state board of education within 15 days of the date of the hearing.

(c) If the joint committee recommends against the issuance of any bonds for the construction of a new building and if the district proceeds to issue bonds for such construction, the district shall not be entitled to, and shall not receive, state aid for such bonds under K.S.A. 75-2319, and amendments thereto, unless approved by the state board.

(d) The provisions of this section shall not apply to any district which is not entitled to state aid under K.S.A. 75-2319, and amendments thereto.

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