

## SENATE FILE NO. SF0034

School finance-routine and major maintenance calculations.

Sponsored by: Select Committee on School Facilities

A BILL

for

1 AN ACT relating to K-12 public school finance; increasing  
2 the allowable square footage utilized to calculate routine  
3 and major maintenance for school districts; increasing the  
4 percentage utilized to calculate major maintenance payments  
5 to school districts; providing appropriations; and  
6 providing for an effective date.

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8 *Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Wyoming:*

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10 **Section 1.** W.S. 21-13-309(m)(v)(G)(II) and  
11 21-15-109(c)(iii)(C), (vi) and (vii)(intro) are amended to  
12 read:

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14 **21-13-309. Determination of amount to be included in**  
15 **foundation program for each district.**

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1           (m) In determining the amount to be included in the  
2 foundation program for each district, the state  
3 superintendent shall:

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5           (v) Based upon ADM computations and identified  
6 school configurations within each district pursuant to  
7 paragraph (iv) of this subsection, compute the foundation  
8 program amount for each district as prescribed by the  
9 education resource block grant model adopted by the Wyoming  
10 legislature as defined under W.S. 21-13-101(a)(xiv), as  
11 contained within the spreadsheets and accompanying reports  
12 referenced under W.S. 21-13-101(a)(xvii). The following  
13 criteria shall be used by the state superintendent in the  
14 administration of the education resource block grant model:

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16           (G) Amounts within the block grant model  
17 for maintenance and operations shall be based upon actual  
18 gross square footage of school buildings and facilities  
19 subject to the following:

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21                           (II) Actual gross square footage of  
22 education space shall be the gross square footage  
23 prescribed by statewide building adequacy standards

1 promulgated pursuant to W.S. 21-15-115. For school year  
2 2025-2026 and each school year thereafter, education space  
3 capacity in excess of ~~one hundred fifteen percent (115%)~~  
4 one hundred thirty-five percent (135%) of the standard  
5 space level shall not be included in actual gross square  
6 footage computations under this subdivision;

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8 **21-15-109. Major building and facility repair and**  
9 **replacement payments; computation; square footage**  
10 **allowance; use of payment funds; accounting and reporting**  
11 **requirements.**

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13 (c) To compute the major building and facility repair  
14 and replacement payment for each district, the department  
15 shall:

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17 (iii) Except as otherwise provided by this  
18 paragraph, adjust the total amount of gross square footage  
19 determined for educational buildings under subparagraph  
20 (c)(ii)(C) of this section by excluding from computations  
21 under this section the square footage for those educational  
22 buildings closed and not operational as provided for under  
23 paragraph (c)(iv) of this section and any amount including

1 the gross square footage of portable buildings, which  
2 exceeds capacity levels specified by this paragraph which  
3 are above the statewide minimum gross square footage  
4 criteria as prescribed by the statewide building and  
5 facility adequacy standards promulgated under W.S.  
6 21-15-115(a). For the purpose of adjusting the gross square  
7 footage of educational buildings under this paragraph, the  
8 gross square footage of buildings used for the provision of  
9 certified child care, developmental preschool and  
10 cooperative education programs pursuant to subparagraph  
11 (c)(i)(A) of this section shall not be excluded. For  
12 purposes of this section, per student gross square footage  
13 criteria prescribed by the statewide building adequacy  
14 standards shall be based upon an average daily membership  
15 (ADM) computed as defined under W.S. 21-13-101(a)(i) for  
16 the prior school year. For purposes of computations under  
17 this section, the allowable capacity in educational  
18 building gross square footage for each district including  
19 portable buildings but excluding buildings used for the  
20 provision of certified child care, developmental preschool  
21 and cooperative education programs pursuant to subparagraph  
22 (c)(i)(A) of this section, shall be as follows:

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1 (C) For school year ~~2009-2010~~2025-2026 and  
2 each school year thereafter, up to ~~one hundred fifteen~~  
3 ~~percent (115%)~~one hundred thirty-five percent (135%) of  
4 the prescribed per student gross square footage criteria.

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6 (vi) Multiply the amount computed under  
7 paragraph (c)(v) of this section for the adjusted square  
8 footage of the district's educational buildings times two  
9 and one-half percent (2.5%) for school year ~~2001-2002,~~  
10 ~~three percent (3%) for school year 2002-2003, and by two~~  
11 ~~percent (2%) for school year 2003-2004~~2025-2026 and each  
12 school year thereafter;

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14 (vii) Multiply the sum of the amounts obtained  
15 under paragraph (c)(v) of this section for the building  
16 categories identified under subparagraphs (c)(ii)(A) and  
17 (D) of this section times two and one-half percent (2.5%)  
18 for school year ~~2001-2002, three percent (3%) for school~~  
19 ~~year 2002-2003, and by two percent (2%) for school year~~  
20 ~~2003-2004~~2025-2026 and each school year thereafter,  
21 adjusted as follows:

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23 **Section 2.**

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2 (a) There is appropriated thirty-eight million one  
3 hundred thousand dollars (\$38,100,000.00) from the public  
4 school foundation program account to the state construction  
5 department for major maintenance payments to school  
6 districts made necessary by the amendments enacted in  
7 section 1 of this act. This appropriation shall be for the  
8 period beginning July 1, 2025 and ending June 30, 2026.  
9 This appropriation shall not be transferred or expended for  
10 any other purpose and any unexpended, unobligated funds  
11 remaining from this appropriation shall revert as provided  
12 by law on June 30, 2026. It is the intent of the  
13 legislature that this appropriation be included in the  
14 standard budget for the state construction department for  
15 the immediately succeeding fiscal biennium.

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17 (b) There is appropriated five million five hundred  
18 thousand dollars (\$5,500,000.00) from the public school  
19 foundation program account to the department of  
20 education-school finance for routine maintenance payments  
21 to school districts made necessary by the amendments  
22 enacted in section 1 of this act. This appropriation shall  
23 be for the period beginning July 1, 2025 and ending June

1 30, 2026. This appropriation shall not be transferred or  
2 expended for any other purpose and any unexpended,  
3 unobligated funds remaining from this appropriation shall  
4 revert as provided by law on June 30, 2026. It is the  
5 intent of the legislature that this appropriation be  
6 included in the standard budget for the department of  
7 education-school finance for the immediately succeeding  
8 fiscal biennium.

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10 **Section 3.** This act is effective July 1, 2025.

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