

**HOUSE . . . . . No. 3121**

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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

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**In the Year Two Thousand Nine**  
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An Act relative to energy efficient construction..

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:*

1 SECTION 1. Paragraph C of Section 10 of Chapter 70B of the General Laws, as  
2 appearing in the 2004 Official Edition, is hereby amended by adding after subsection (c) the  
3 following subsection:-

4 (d) For approved school projects that are designed and constructed to meet or exceed  
5 LEED Silver certification, as defined by the U.S. Green Building Council, the reimbursement  
6 percentage shall be the sum of: (a) the percentage calculated pursuant to subsections (a) and (b);  
7 (b) the percentage calculated pursuant to paragraph (c) of subsection (C); and (c) 10 percentage  
8 points. If said percentage points are given, the total reimbursement percentage may exceed the  
9 maximum grant percentage under the first paragraph of this section by no more than 5  
10 percentage points.

11 SECTION 2. Chapter 7 of the General Laws is hereby amended by adding after Section  
12 42K the following new section:-

13           Section 42L. All construction, as defined in section 39A of this chapter, undertaken by  
14 any state agency, under the supervision of the division of capital asset management and  
15 maintenance, that is majority financed or funded from an appropriation or the issuance of bonds,  
16 notes, or other evidence of indebtedness of the commonwealth shall be designed and constructed  
17 to meet or exceed LEED Silver certification, as defined by the U.S. Green Building Council.

18           SECTION 3. Chapter 40A of the General Laws is hereby amended by adding the  
19 following new section:-

20           Section 18. New homes consisting of at least 5,000 square feet of area in the case of  
21 single-family residential use and at least 7,500 square feet of area in the case of two-family  
22 residential use shall be designed, built, and certified to LEED Silver standards, as defined by the  
23 U.S. Green Building Council.