



**BROWARD COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS
BUILDING DEPARTMENT**

Position Statement # 04 – 423 - 05

Subject: Reference of the State Requirements for Educational Facilities
Applicable Code: Section 423.4 2004 FBC
Date: February 12, 2007

Question: Is it the intent of Section 423.4 of the 2004 Florida Building Code that the reference documents indicated by this section are considered to be additional enforcement requirements (i.e. reviews and inspections)

Answer: The Florida Building Code is a document that provides minimum requirements for the construction, remodeling, and renovation of a building. It is not a property maintenance code. Chapter 5 of the State Requirements for Educational Facilities is for the continual use of existing buildings or portions of buildings that were built under an earlier edition of a building code where new construction, remodeling, or renovation is not taking place. The incorporation of the State Requirements for Educational Facilities (SREF) in Section 423.4.1, FBC, list those items in SREF that deal with new construction, facilities planning and financing. The requirements of Chapter 5 of SREF have been intentionally left out.

Comment: If a SREF Chapter 5 violation is found within the scope of the addition or remodeling work of a project, then the violation would have to be corrected in accordance with the current edition of the building code.
If a SREF Chapter 5 violation is found outside the scope of a renovation, remodeling or addition project the violation should be reported to the BCPS Director of Safety with a copy to the Facilities Project Manager.

The Building Officials Association of Florida, in cooperation with the Florida Building Commission, the Florida Department of Community Affairs, ICC, and industry and professional experts have offered this interpretation of the Florida Building Code in the interest of consistency in their application statewide.

This interpretation has been accepted and approved by the BCPS Chief Building Official

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Ronald F. Morgan, Acting Chief Building Official

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