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## Bill Summary

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### Overview

A district with a school building problem related to health or safety may submit an application to the Commissioner of Education for authorization to receive health and safety revenue. Health and safety revenue may be used only for the purposes specifically listed in statute including removing or encapsulating asbestos, disposing of polychlorinated biphenyls (PCBs), removing and disposing of fuel oils, eliminating a fire hazard, removing a life safety hazard, and correcting certain air quality problems. Health and safety revenue is provided nearly entirely through the local levy.

The United States EPA has adopted emission standards that will apply to some school district backup generators. These generators primarily are used to manage peak-load electrical contracts. The EPA rule will require school districts to add emission controls to some generators.

This bill authorizes a school district to include the costs associated with adding emission control equipment to its generators in its health and safety revenue plan.

### Section

- 1 Uses of health and safety revenue.** Authorizes a school district to include in its health and safety plan the costs needed to bring school facility backup generators into compliance with the National Emission Standards for Hazardous Air Pollutants established by the United States EPA.