Chapter 285

(House Bill 628)

AN ACT concerning

Board of Public Works - Relocatable Classrooms - Indoor Air Quality Requirements

FOR the purpose of requiring the Board of Public Works, in consultation with certain departments, to adopt regulations that include certain specifications, relating to indoor air quality for the occupants of relocatable classrooms constructed after a certain date that are purchased or leased using State funds; and generally relating to indoor air quality requirements for relocatable classrooms and the Board of Public Works.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Education Section 5–301(b–1) Annotated Code of Maryland (2008 Replacement Volume and 2013 Supplement)

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

Article - Education

5-301.

- (b-1) The Board of Public Works, in consultation with the Department of General Services and the Department of Housing and Community Development, shall adopt regulations establishing criteria designed to enhance indoor air quality for the occupants of relocatable classrooms CONSTRUCTED AFTER JULY 1, 2014, THAT ARE purchased or leased using State or local funds, including specifications that:
- (1) Require each unit to include appropriate air barriers to limit infiltration;
- (2) Require that each unit be constructed in a manner that provides protection against water damage through the use of proper roofing materials, exterior sheathing, water drainage systems, and flashing;
- (3) Require that each unit provide continuous forced ventilation when the unit is occupied;

- (4) Require each unit to include a programmable thermostat;
- (5) Require each unit to be outfitted with energy efficient lighting and heating and air—conditioning systems; and
- (6) Mandate that each unit be constructed with building materials that contain low amounts of volatile organic compounds (VOC) IN ACCORDANCE WITH INDUSTRY STANDARDS.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 2014.

Approved by the Governor, May 5, 2014.