

**HISTORY OF RE-USE OF PLANS  
AND CALIFORNIA'S EDUCATION  
CODE**

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**HISTORY OF RE-USE OF PLANS AND  
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• **Pre-SB 50**

Education Code 17261

The State Department of Education shall “establish a pool of duplicate plans...appropriate for school districts in rural areas...of varying characteristics. The plans may include landscape suggestions.”

• **Rarely used**

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• **SB 50**

Amended Education Code 17261

Requires “the State Allocation Board [to] obtain construction plans for school buildings appropriate for school districts in:

- various climates
- geographical conditions
- various sizes
- rural areas

SB 50 further referred to the re-use of plans as a “cost-saving” device.

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**HISTORY OF RE-USE OF PLANS AND CALIFORNIA'S EDUCATION CODE**

- **CDE Recommendations on the Re-Use of Plans**
  - Educational Specifications drives your design.
  - Compare your Educational Specifications to those of the “re-use” design.
  - Visit several projects.
  - Visit the site—teachers, custodians, food service, bus drivers etc. while school is in session.

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- **CDE Recommendations on the Re-Use of Plans**
  - Make sure the number of toilets, size of cafeteria, gym, meet your master plan enrollment needs.
  - Make sure the school works on the site you have—parking, building layout and relationships.
  - Discuss with district any construction concerns (change orders, design changes, etc.).
  - Post-occupancy evaluation of other users.

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- **Plan Re-Use in the CDE Process**
  - Not pre-approved.
    - Each project reviewed uniquely—site adaptations, code/regulation/policy changes.
  - CDE gets a familiar product.
  - Submit preliminary plans for CDE review.
  - The time saved is at the front end before you get to CDE.

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