

**CHAPTER 22****( SB 57 )**

AN ACT relating to public school building renovations and declaring an emergency.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Kentucky:

➔Section 1. KRS 162.062 is amended to read as follows:

- (1) The chief state school officer shall not approve the plans and specifications for a new public school building contemplated by a board of education~~[or for any addition or alteration of old buildings]~~, as required by KRS 162.060, unless the plans and specifications provide for:
  - (a) A minimum of two (2) water bottle filling stations in each school;
  - (b) A minimum of one (1) drinking fountain or water bottle filling station on each floor and wing of each school building; and
  - (c) A minimum of one (1) drinking fountain or water bottle filling station for every seventy-five (75) students projected to attend the school upon completion of the proposed construction.
- (2) Any water bottle filling station installed in a public school building shall:
  - (a) Dispense filtered, clean drinking water;
  - (b) Be regularly cleaned and maintained; and
  - (c) If there is no drinking fountain on the same floor and wing as the water bottle filling station, be accompanied by a cup dispenser.
- (3) Any drinking fountain installed in a public school building shall:
  - (a) Be equipped with a protective cowl;
  - (b) Be equipped with a water spout at least one (1) inch above the overflow rim of the drinking fountain;
  - (c) Dispense filtered, clean drinking water; and
  - (d) Be regularly cleaned and maintained.

➔Section 2. Whereas it is an urgent responsibility of the Commonwealth to make necessary alterations to existing school buildings to improve school security, an emergency is declared to exist, and this Act takes effect upon its passage and approval by the Governor or upon its otherwise becoming a law.

**Signed by Governor March 17, 2020.**