

REVENUE: No revenue impact

FISCAL: No fiscal impact

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<b>Action:</b>	Do Pass
<b>Vote:</b>	8 - 0 - 1
<b>Yeas:</b>	Greenlick, Huffman, Komp, Krummel, Lim, Roblan, Whisnant, Buckley
<b>Nays:</b>	0
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<b>Meeting Dates:</b>	2/12

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**WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:** Exempts outdoor light fixtures from requirement to use only T-type light bulbs in fixtures designed for metal halide or mercury vapor light bulbs. Removes from exemption outdoor light fixtures in covered areas used by persons for recreational or educational activities. Extends deadline for replacing R-type metal halide or mercury vapor light bulbs with T-type light bulbs to September 1, 2008. Requires schools to act with reasonable diligence to replace bulbs before September 1, 2008. Declares emergency; effective upon passage.

**ISSUES DISCUSSED:**

- Appropriate implementation date
- Opportunity to address during 2008 Special Session

**EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT:** No amendment.

**BACKGROUND:** Senate Bill 479 (2007) required schools to replace non-self-extinguishing metal halide R-Type light bulbs or mercury vapor light bulbs with self-extinguishing T-type light bulbs or alternative lighting on or before January 1, 2008. However, bulb manufacturers have indicated that there are not enough bulbs available for all school districts to comply with this requirement in a timely manner.