House Bill 4127 Senate Amendments Section-by-Section Analysis

HOUSE VERSION

SECTION 1. Sections 756.061(a) and (b), Health and Safety Code, are amended to read as follows:
(a) Notwithstanding any other rule or statute, and except [Except] as provided by Subsection (b), on or after September 1, 2009 [1997], public funds may not be used:
(1) to purchase playground equipment that does not [substantially] comply with each applicable provision of ASTM Standard F1487-07ae, "Consumer Safety Performance Specification for Playground Equipment for Public Use" [the Handbook for Public Playground Safety] published [in 1994] by ASTM International

[the United States Consumer Product Safety Commission (Publication No. 325)];

(2) to purchase surfacing for the area under and around playground equipment if the surfacing will not [substantially] comply, on completion of installation of the surfacing, with each applicable provision of <u>ASTM</u> <u>Standard F2223-04e1</u>, "Standard Guide for <u>ASTM</u> <u>Standards on Playground Surfacing" published by ASTM</u> <u>International</u> [the handbook described by Subdivision (1)]; or

(3) to pay for installation of playground equipment or surfacing if the installation will not [substantially] comply, on completion of the installation, with each

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(1) to purchase playground equipment that:

(<u>A</u>) does not [substantially] comply with each applicable provision of <u>ASTM Standard F1487-07ae1</u>, "Consumer <u>Safety Performance Specification for Playground</u> <u>Equipment for Public Use</u>" [the Handbook for Public <u>Playground Safety</u>] published [in 1994] by <u>ASTM</u> International; or

(B) has a horizontal bare metal platform or a bare metal step or slide, unless the bare metal is shielded from direct sun by a covering provided with the equipment or by a shaded area in the location where the equipment is installed [the United States Consumer Product Safety Commission (Publication No. 325)];

(2) to purchase surfacing for the area under and around playground equipment if the surfacing will not [substantially] comply, on completion of installation of the surfacing, with each applicable provision of <u>ASTM</u> <u>Standard F2223-04e1</u>, "Standard Guide for <u>ASTM</u> <u>Standards on Playground Surfacing" published by ASTM</u> <u>International</u> [the handbook described by <u>Subdivision</u> (1)]; or

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applicable provision of the <u>specifications</u> [handbook]
described by Subdivision (1) or (2), as applicable.
(b) Public funds may be used for maintenance of playground equipment or surfacing for the area under and around playground equipment that was purchased before September 1, 2009 [1997], even if the equipment or surfacing does not [substantially] comply, on completion of the maintenance, with each applicable provision of the <u>specifications</u> [handbook] described by Subsections [Subsection] (a)(1) and (a)(2)

SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2009.

applicable provision of the <u>specifications</u> [handbook]
described by Subdivision (1) or (2), as applicable.
(b) Public funds may be used for maintenance of playground equipment or surfacing for the area under and around playground equipment that was purchased before September 1, 2009 [1997], even if the equipment or surfacing does not [substantially] comply, on completion of the maintenance, with each applicable provision of the <u>specifications</u> [handbook] described by <u>Subsections</u> [30(1) and (a)(2).

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