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H.B. No. 1176

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

1  
2 relating to the use of motion sensor technology in certain state  
3 buildings, public school facilities, and higher education  
4 facilities.

5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

6 SECTION 1. Subchapter A, Chapter 2165, Government Code, is  
7 amended by adding Section 2165.011 to read as follows:

8 Sec. 2165.011. USE OF MOTION SENSOR TECHNOLOGY IN STATE  
9 BUILDINGS. (a) In this section, "motion sensor technology" means  
10 technology that uses motion sensor devices to automatically control  
11 a building's lighting system based on the presence or absence of  
12 people.

13 (b) Not later than January 31, 2013, a state agency or  
14 institution of higher education that has charge and control of a  
15 state building that does not use motion sensor technology shall  
16 retrofit the building with motion sensor technology. This  
17 subsection applies only to a building that was a state building on  
18 September 1, 2011.

19 SECTION 2. Subchapter I, Chapter 2166, Government Code, is  
20 amended by adding Section 2166.407 to read as follows:

21 Sec. 2166.407. USE OF MOTION SENSOR TECHNOLOGY IN STATE  
22 BUILDINGS. (a) In this section, "motion sensor technology" means  
23 technology that uses motion sensor devices to automatically control  
24 a building's lighting system based on the presence or absence of

1 people.

2 (b) This section applies to the construction of a new state  
3 building and the acquisition of a building by the state, including a  
4 building construction project otherwise exempt from this chapter  
5 under Section 2166.003.

6 (c) During the planning phase of the proposed construction,  
7 the commission, or the governing body of the appropriate agency or  
8 institution that is undertaking a project otherwise exempt from  
9 this chapter under Section 2166.003, shall include in the  
10 construction plans for a new state building the use of motion  
11 sensor technology.

12 (d) Not later than one year after the acquisition by the  
13 state of a building that does not use motion sensor technology, the  
14 state agency or institution of higher education that has charge and  
15 control of the acquired building shall retrofit the building with  
16 motion sensor technology.

17 SECTION 3. Subchapter Z, Chapter 44, Education Code, is  
18 amended by adding Section 44.906 to read as follows:

19 Sec. 44.906. USE OF MOTION SENSOR TECHNOLOGY IN  
20 INSTRUCTIONAL FACILITIES. (a) In this section:

21 (1) "Instructional facility" has the meaning assigned  
22 by Section 46.001.

23 (2) "Motion sensor technology" means technology that  
24 uses motion sensor devices to automatically control a building's  
25 lighting system based on the presence or absence of people.

26 (b) Not later than January 31, 2013, a school district shall  
27 retrofit all instructional facilities with motion sensor

1 technology. This subsection applies only to a building that was a  
2 school district instructional facility on September 1, 2011.

3 (c) A school district that constructs a new instructional  
4 facility shall include in the construction plans for the facility  
5 the use of motion sensor technology.

6 (d) Not later than one year after the acquisition by a  
7 school district of a building to be used as an instructional  
8 facility that does not use motion sensor technology, the school  
9 district shall retrofit the acquired building with motion sensor  
10 technology.

11 SECTION 4. Subchapter Z, Chapter 51, Education Code, is  
12 amended by adding Section 51.9272 to read as follows:

13 Sec. 51.9272. USE OF MOTION SENSOR TECHNOLOGY IN  
14 EDUCATIONAL AND HOUSING FACILITIES. (a) In this section:

15 (1) "Housing facility" has the meaning assigned by  
16 Section 53.02.

17 (2) "Motion sensor technology" means technology that  
18 uses motion sensor devices to automatically control a building's  
19 lighting system based on the presence or absence of people.

20 (b) Not later than January 31, 2013, an institution of  
21 higher education shall retrofit all educational and housing  
22 facilities with motion sensor technology. This subsection applies  
23 only to a building that was an educational or housing facility of an  
24 institution of higher education on September 1, 2011.

25 (c) An institution of higher education that constructs a new  
26 educational or housing facility shall include in the construction  
27 plans for the facility the use of motion sensor technology.

1        (d) Not later than one year after the acquisition by an  
2 institution of higher education of a building to be used as an  
3 educational or housing facility that does not use motion sensor  
4 technology, the institution of higher education shall retrofit the  
5 acquired building with motion sensor technology.

6        SECTION 5. This Act takes effect September 1, 2011.