

- To: Local Educational Agency Leads
- From: Diane Shoener, Director Office of the State Board of Education
- Deadline: September 5, 2025

Proposal Level Code – N.J.A.C. 6A:26B, School Facility Bond Issuance Without Voter Approval Rules

New Jersey Department of Education Commissioner Kevin Dehmer approved the following rulemaking for publication in the July 7, 2025, *New Jersey Register*. The proposal, which can be viewed on the New Jersey Department of Education's (NJDOE) <u>Administrative Code webpage</u>, includes:

 Proposed new rules at N.J.A.C. 6A:26B, School Facility Bond Issuance Without Voter Approval Rules, to provide a process to govern the agreements between municipalities and district boards of education pursuant to P.L. 2023, c. 311 and P.L. 2024, c. 79 (N.J.S.A. 18A:7G-15.1a). The laws allow district boards of education to issue bonds without voter approval, as long as the district board of education has entered into a contract with a municipality to support the bond payments through the receipt of a portion of a municipality's payments in lieu of taxes (PILOTs) specified for this purpose.

Administrators and members of the public may send written comments concerning the proposal by September 5, 2025, via the NJDOE's <u>Proposed Rules webpage</u>, to <u>chapter26B@doe.nj.gov</u>, or to:

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