
DIGEST

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Abstract: Provides requirements relative to the location of wireless communication facilities with respect to school property, including permitting requirements.

Proposed law provides the following:

- (1) Defines a "school proximity zone" as area within 1,000 of a school property boundary.
- (2) A newly constructed freestanding wireless tower located within a school proximity zone shall maintain a setback from any school building equal to at least 110% of the tower height.
- (3) An applicant proposing construction of a new freestanding tower within a school proximity zone shall demonstrate good faith efforts to colocate on existing structures.
- (4) Construction of a new freestanding wireless tower within a school proximity zone shall require a conditional use permit.
- (5) Operators of freestanding towers within a school proximity zone shall provide current emergency contact information to the school, certify annual structural inspection compliance, and coordinate disaster response planning upon request.
- (6) Subsequent modifications of such towers shall comply with applicable federal law.

Proposed law provides that proposed law shall be known and may be cited as the "School Infrastructure Safety and Emergency Coordination Act".

(Adds R.S. 17:2111)