



DATE: April 14, 2025

TITLE: Guaranteed Energy Project Approval

TYPE: Action

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Background:

The Minnesota Legislature (MN State Statute 123B.65) gave Minnesota schools a procurement tool to combine multiple comprehensive infrastructure improvements into a single turn-key project.

Rationale:

Austin Public Schools (APS) in September sent out an RFP for guaranteed energy savings projects and had two companies respond to the RFP. At the November board meeting APS board approved moving forward with inBYLT to provide a Directed Engineering Study to determine what projects could be done. [Attached are their findings.](#)

During this study it was announced that on January 1, 2026, that the sale of fluorescent lamps would be banned in the State of Minnesota, and this would require us to convert over to LED lightening.

Recommendation:

We are recommending the Austin School Board approves awarding inBYLT to move forward with building envelope, lighting upgrade, and destratification at a net cost of \$2,499,431.