

MEMORANDUM

To: School Business Service Directors

From: Melissa Ambre, Director of School Finance

Date: September 12, 2018

Re: 2018 Special Session House Enrolled Act 1230 – School Safety (IC 20-49-10)

Background:

The Indiana General Assembly recently passed legislation allowing schools to apply for improvements in school safety from the Common School Fund. These advances may be used to purchase equipment or make capital investments needed to: 1) restrict access to schools; 2) expedite the notification of first responders; or 3) improve school security.

Guidance:

Typically, Common School Loans are provided by the Indiana Department of Education (IDOE). However, school safety advances from the Common School Fund are administered by the State Board of Education (SBOE) in consultation with the Secured School Safety Board (SSSB). Requests for an advance will be reviewed by SSSB and sent to SBOE with a funding recommendation. Funding determinations will be made by SBOE.

For more information, please visit the secured school safety [website](#).