AN ACT concerning fire safety codes and school lockdown procedures.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Kansas:

Section 1. (a) The state fire marshal shall conduct a thorough review of existing rules and regulations regarding school lockdown situations, and shall revise those codes to accommodate new and emerging technologies that facilitate school lockdowns.

(b) The review and revision shall include:

(1) Identifying the types of door locks and other devices and procedures available currently in the marketplace, that will meet existing fire safety codes during intruder situations;

(2) collaborating with the state board of education and various unified school districts to develop new, cost-effective strategies that will enable classrooms to quickly and securely adapt to an intruder situation; and

(3) revising fire codes annually to accommodate newly developed technologies that will enable classrooms to quickly and securely adapt to an intruder situation.

(c) Copies of revised rules and regulations shall be made available to every unified school district in this state.

(d) In the event that a conflict exists between a lockdown procedure approved by a local school board, and local fire codes, deference will be given to the unified school district-approved procedure.

Sec. 2. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its publication in the statute book.