

Recommendation

Adopted by CHE on February 2, 2006

The Commission recommends, that in the absence of statewide policies concerning construction costs of all buildings to include LEED (Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design) buildings, the Budget and Control Board, the Joint Bond Review Committee, and all other appropriate agencies study construction costs, comparative cost benefits analyses, and the life cycle costs of facilities prior to approving the project. The Commission on Higher Education is concerned that the State may not be realizing the most efficient construction and operation costs for State facilities. The Commission further recommends that a review of the entire process be conducted with the goal to reduce the timeline for capital projects from conception to completion. The Commission also recommends alternative delivery methods be made available to the institutions for capital projects.