POLICY: CHARTER SCHOOLS ENFORCEMENT JURISDICTION

DISCIPLINES: Structural, Accessibility, Fire and Life Safety

PURPOSE: This policy clarifies the enforcement agency jurisdictional authority for Charter School construction projects, such as new building and facility construction, reconstruction, rehabilitation, alterations, and additions.

DEFINITIONS:

Charter School Facilities Program: A program under the Leroy F. Greene School Facilities Act (Education Code Sections 17070.10 et. seq.), administered by the Office of Public School Construction, to provide funding for charter school facilities.

POLICY:

1. Charter school facilities construction projects must be submitted to the Division of the State Architect (DSA) for plan review and construction oversight if the project will be funded by the Charter School Facilities Program, independent of land ownership (see Education Code Section 17078.54).

2. If the project will not be funded by the Charter School Facilities Program, the project must be submitted to either:

   2.1 DSA for plan review and construction oversight (see Education Code Section 47610.5(a)); or

   2.2 The local building enforcement agency with jurisdiction over the area in which the charter school is located (see Education Code Section 47610(d)).

REFERENCES:

California Code of Regulations (CCR), Title 24
   Part 2: California Building Code, Section 1134B
California Education Code, Sections 17070.10 et seq., 17078.52-17078.66, 17280, 17457.5, 47610-47610.5

A DSA Policy is a formally established set of governing statements based on law and code objectives, addressing any aspect of DSA’s plan and construction review program that is not clearly addressed by code. A Policy also may specify administrative or technical requirements that are not yet addressed within Title 24, but are deemed important and necessary to fulfill code objectives in advance of adoption into the code.