

**48-01.2-25. Authorization of expansion of public Improvements by legislative assembly or budget section.** Notwithstanding any other provision of law, a state agency or institution may not significantly change or expand a public improvement beyond what has been approved by the legislative assembly unless the legislative assembly, or the budget section of the legislative management if the legislative assembly is not in session, approves the change or expansion of the project or any additional expenditure for the project. For the purposes of this section, a significant change or expansion includes the construction of an addition to a building, including skywalks or other type of enclosed walkway, or any other substantial increase in the area of the building, but does not include the construction of building entrances and stairwells.