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WILLIAMSBURG — At the College of William and Mary, the governor's Advisory Legislative Budget Committee in May 1976 voted to recommend that the law school be the priority for the new building.

Although the law school is among those projects in a state bond referendum package, the law school is not on the list of those projects that were passed in the General Assembly bill.

Arguments for the building were restated for the legislators when the town officials were asked to reemphasize the need for the law school.

For the capital campaign, the law school was given the highest priority.

The cost of the building is estimated to be $1.6 million, which is the highest priority for the bond referendum.

One man's priority has since been revised to include the law school.

The core of the previous plan was to have the law school be the priority for the bond referendum.

The $1.6 million estimate includes the cost of the new building and the cost of the renovation of the existing building.

Sprouse added, however, that the law school library, another area under construction, would be completed in time for the start of the fall semester.

For environmental improvements in the new building, the bond referendum was approved for $1.6 million.

"We need to be prepared," he said, "for environmental improvements in the new building."