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Introduced by Sen. VALESKY -- read twice and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to the Committee on Environmental Conservation

AN ACT to amend the environmental conservation law, in relation to water saving performance standards

The People of the State of New York, represented in Senate and Assembly, do enact as follows:

1 Section 1. Subdivisions 2, 3 and 8 of section 15-0314 of the environ-
2 mental conservation law, as amended by chapter 161 of the laws of 2002,
3 are amended to read as follows:

4 2. The water saving performance standards for sink and lavatory
5 faucets, shower heads, drinking water fountains, urinals and water clos-
6 ets, including tank-type toilets, flushometer-tank toilets, flushome-
7 ter-valve toilets, electromechanical hydraulic toilets, and all other
8 types of toilets that use water shall be as follows:

9 (a) for lavatory faucets, at a constant water pressure of eighty
10 pounds per square inch, maximum flow shall not exceed [~~2.5~~] 1.5 gallons
11 of water per minute [~~or .25 gallons per cycle for lavatory faucets~~
12 ~~designed as metering faucets) and provided that those faucet models~~
13 ~~installed in public buildings must be of a self-closing variety and must~~
14 ~~be designed to limit the discharged flow rate of water to a maximum of~~
15 ~~.5 gallons per minute or must be of the metering type which limit the~~
16 ~~discharge of water to a maximum of .25 gallons per cycle~~]; and

17 (b) for sink faucets, at a constant water pressure of eighty pounds
18 per square inch, maximum flow shall not exceed [~~2.5~~] 1.5 gallons of
19 water per minute; and

20 (c) for shower heads, at a constant water pressure of eighty pounds
21 per square inch, maximum flow shall not exceed [~~2.5~~] 2.0 gallons of
22 water per minute; and

23 (d) for urinals and associated flush-valve, if any, maximum flow shall
24 not exceed an average of [~~one gallon~~] 0.5 gallons of water per flush;
25 and

EXPLANATION--Matter in italics (underscored) is new; matter in brackets
[-] is old law to be omitted.

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(e) for water closets and associated flush-valve, if any, maximum flow shall not exceed an average of [~~one and six tenths~~] 1.28 gallons of water per flush; and

(f) drinking water fountains must be of a self-closing variety.

3. Each shower head, sink or lavatory faucet, both box and product, shall be marked and labeled, and each water closet or urinal, or each component if the water closet or urinal is comprised of two or more components, both box and product, shall be marked and labeled in accordance with the latest [~~revision of the standards designated American National Standards, written under American National Standards Institute (ANSI)~~] WaterSense Program guidelines developed by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency.

8. The commissioner, to the extent practicable and appropriate, shall utilize the latest [~~revision of the standards designated American National Standards, written under American National Standards Institute (ANSI) procedures in determining requirements under this section~~] WaterSense Program Guidelines developed by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency.

§ 2. This act shall take effect immediately.