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Introduced by Sens. VALESKY, AVELLA, FUNKE, LATIMER -- read twice and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to the Committee on Environmental Conservation -- reported favorably from said committee, ordered to first and second report, ordered to a third reading, amended and ordered reprinted, retaining its place in the order of third reading

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, dual-flush  
8 toilets and all other types of toilets that use water shall be as  
9 follows:

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

19 (b) for sink faucets, at a constant water pressure of [~~eighty~~] sixty  
20 pounds per square inch, maximum flow shall not exceed [~~2.5~~] 2.2 gallons  
21 of water per minute; and

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

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

4 (d) for urinals and associated flush-valve, if any, maximum flow shall  
5 not exceed an average of [~~one-gallon~~] 0.5 gallons of water per flush  
6 (except for urinals designated and marketed exclusively for use in pris-  
7 ons or mental health care facilities); and

8 (e) except for water closets and toilets designed and marketed exclu-  
9 sively for use in prisons or mental health care facilities, (1) for  
10 water closets and associated flush-valve, if any, maximum flow shall not  
11 exceed an average of [~~one-and-six-tenths~~] 1.28 gallons of water per  
12 flush; (2) for dual-flush tank-type water closets, the average of two  
13 reduced flushes and one full flush shall not exceed an average of 1.28  
14 gallons of water per flush; and (3) for dual-flush flushometer-valve  
15 water closets, maximum flow shall not exceed an average of 1.28 gallons  
16 of water per flush; and

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

18 3. Each shower head, sink or lavatory faucet, both box and product,  
19 shall be marked and labeled, and each water closet or urinal, or each  
20 component if the water closet or urinal is comprised of two or more  
21 components, both box and product, shall be marked and labeled in accord-  
22 ance with the latest revision of the standards designated American  
23 National Standards, written under American National Standards Institute  
24 (ANSI), and, as applicable, the following United States environmental  
25 protection agency watersense program specification: tank-type toilets  
26 (June 2, 2014), lavatory faucets (October 1, 2007), flushing urinals  
27 (October 8, 2009), and flushometer-valve toilets (December 17, 2015).

28 8. The commissioner, to the extent practicable and appropriate, shall  
29 utilize the latest revision of the standards designated American  
30 National Standards, written under American National Standards Institute  
31 (ANSI) procedures in determining requirements under this section, and,  
32 as applicable, the following United States environmental protection  
33 agency watersense program specification: tank-type toilets (June 2,  
34 2014), lavatory faucets (October 1, 2007), flushing urinals (October 8,  
35 2009), and flushometer-valve toilets (December 17, 2015).

36 § 2. This act shall take effect January 1, 2019.