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Introduced by M. of A. EPSTEIN, RAGA, LEVENBERG, BURDICK -- read once and referred to the Committee on Governmental Operations -- recommitted to the Committee on Governmental Operations in accordance with Assembly Rule 3, sec. 2 -- committee discharged, bill amended, ordered reprinted as amended and recommitted to said committee

AN ACT to amend the public buildings law, in relation to requiring gender neutral bathrooms in state-owned buildings

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

Section 1. The section heading of section 145 of the public buildings law, as amended by chapter 14 of the laws of 2020, is amended, subdivision 1 is amended by adding a new paragraph (e), and a new subdivision 3 is added to read as follows:

Gender neutral [~~single-occupancy~~] bathrooms.

(e) "multiple-occupancy bathroom" means a room or suite of rooms containing at least one sink and at least two sanitary fixtures, such as toilets or urinals, intended for simultaneous use by two or more occupants.

3. Each state agency shall ensure, to the extent practicable, that all state-owned and state-leased buildings under its jurisdiction have at least one multiple-occupancy bathroom in such building designated as gender neutral.

§ 2. This act shall take effect on the ninetieth day after it shall have become a law.

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

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