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IN SENATE

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Introduced by Sen. SALAZAR -- read twice and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to the Committee on Rules

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:

1 Section 1. The section heading of section 145 of the public buildings
2 law, as amended by chapter 14 of the laws of 2020, is amended, subdivi-
3 sion 1 is amended by adding a new paragraph (e), and two new subdivi-
4 sions 1-a and 3 are added to read as follows:

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

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

10 1-a. All state-owned buildings and, where practicable, state-leased
11 buildings shall include gender neutral bathrooms.

12 3. When a state agency is unable to comply with subdivision two of
13 this section, such state agency shall ensure that there is at least one
14 gender neutral multiple-occupancy bathroom in the state-owned buildings
15 under its jurisdiction and, where practicable, in the state-leased
16 buildings under its jurisdiction.

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

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

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