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Introduced by Sen. JACKSON -- read twice and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to the Committee on Investigations and Government Operations

AN ACT to amend the public buildings law, in relation to providing access to clean water for public employees

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

Section 1. The public buildings law is amended by adding a new section 148 to read as follows:

§ 148. Public employee clean water access. 1. As used in this section, "covered public building" means a public building owned by the state of New York, under the supervision and control of the commissioner of general services, that is determined by such commissioner to be a state office building.

2. The commissioner of general services shall ensure clean, safe drinking water is available in easily accessible locations for all public employees in covered public buildings. Such drinking water shall be made available by the use of water jug dispensers or filtered water bottle filling stations. The commissioner shall make such drinking water available in the manner best suited to reduce the use of single-use plastics, as determined by such commissioner.

§ 2. This act shall take effect on the one hundred eightieth 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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