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A bill to be entitled

An act relating to public restroom requirements; amending s. 553.86, F.S.; requiring the Florida Building Commission to adopt certain requirements in the Florida Building Code for certain public restroom facilities newly constructed or renovated after a specified date; providing an effective date.

Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

Section 1. Section 553.86, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

553.86 Public restroom requirements restrooms; ratio of facilities for men and women; application; incorporation into the Florida Building Code.—The Florida Building Commission shall incorporate into the Florida Building Code, to be adopted by rule pursuant to s. 553.73(1):7

(1) A ratio of public restroom facilities for men and women which must be provided in all buildings that are newly constructed after September 30, 1992, and that have restrooms open to the public. This <u>subsection</u> section does not apply to establishments licensed under chapter 509 if the establishment does not provide meeting or banquet rooms which accommodate more than 150 persons and the establishment has at least the same number of water closets for women as the combined total of water

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(2) For public restroom facilities with an accessible toilet compartment or a single-user toilet room which are newly constructed or renovated after July 1, 2023, the installation of a hook within the reach range of an average-sized person while the person is sitting on the toilet seat, and that such public restroom facilities must otherwise be in compliance with ss.

553.501-553.313 and all applicable requirements set forth in the Florida Accessibility Code for Building Construction.

Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2023.