111TH CONGRESS 2D SESSION

## H. R. 4869

To provide for restroom gender parity in Federal buildings.

## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

March 17, 2010

Mr. Towns (for himself, Mr. Issa, Mr. Visclosky, and Ms. Clarke) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, and in addition to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned

## A BILL

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- 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-
- 2 tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,
- 3 SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.
- 4 This Act may be cited as the "Restroom Gender Par-
- 5 ity in Federal Buildings Act".
- 6 SEC. 2. REQUIREMENT TO REVISE FEDERAL ACQUISITION
- 7 **REGULATION.**
- 8 (a) In General.—Not later than 2 years after the
- 9 date of enactment of this Act, the Federal Acquisition
- 10 Regulation shall be revised—

- 1 (1) to direct any Federal procurement execu2 tives involved in the acquisition, construction, or
  3 major renovation (including contracting for the con4 struction or major renovation) of any facility to in5 crease infrastructure gender parity by—
  - (A) constructing buildings in such a way that the number of toilets in women's restrooms will equal or exceed the number of toilets (including urinals) in men's restrooms; or
  - (B) if such a number is unachievable or not feasible, receive a statement by the Administrator of General Services as to why such a number of toilets is not needed; and
  - (2) to direct Federal procurement executives involved in leasing buildings to give preference to the lease of facilities that meet or exceed the female toilet to male toilet (including urinals) ratio of 1 to 1.
- 18 (b) GUIDANCE.—Not later than 90 days after the 19 date of promulgation of revised regulations under sub-20 section (a), the Director for Federal Procurement Policy 21 shall issue guidance to all Federal procurement executives 22 providing direction and instructions to renegotiate the de-23 sign of proposed facilities, renovations for existing facili-

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- 1 ties, and leased facilities to incorporate improvements that
- 2 are consistent with this section.

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