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H.P. 444

House of Representatives, February 16, 2023

An Act to Improve the Convenience of Public Restrooms

Reference to the Committee on Health and Human Services suggested and ordered printed.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "R B. Hunt".

ROBERT B. HUNT
Clerk

Presented by Representative ZAGER of Portland.

Cosponsored by Representatives: ARATA of New Gloucester, CRAFTS of Newcastle,
RECKITT of South Portland, Senators: DUSON of Cumberland, MOORE of Washington.

1 **Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows:**

2 **Sec. 1. 32 MRSA §3403-B, sub-§3** is enacted to read:

3 **3. Public restrooms.** A newly constructed public venue or a public venue undergoing
4 major renovations that has a capacity of over 100 individuals must include restroom
5 facilities at a ratio of at least 55% women's occupancy, no more than 35% men's occupancy
6 and at least 10% any gender occupancy. The board shall amend the plumbing code to
7 implement this requirement and shall include in the code a definition of "public venue."

8 **SUMMARY**

9 This bill requires that a newly constructed public venue or a public venue undergoing
10 major renovations that has a capacity of over 100 individuals must include restroom
11 facilities at a ratio of at least 55% women's occupancy, no more than 35% men's occupancy
12 and at least 10% any gender occupancy. It directs the Plumbers' Examining Board to amend
13 the plumbing code and to include in the code a definition of "public venue."