

SENATE BILL NO. 8

IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

TWENTY-FIRST LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

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Referred: State Affairs, Finance

A BILL

FOR AN ACT ENTITLED

1 "An Act relating to the number of toilets in women's restrooms in certain
2 facilities."

3 **BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA:**

4 * **Section 1.** AS 18.35.120 is amended to read:

5 **Sec. 18.35.120. Enforcement of AS 18.35.100.** The department shall adopt
6 regulations to implement and enforce AS 18.35.100 by appropriate means. The
7 regulations must set standards of sanitation and must provide for, but need not be
8 limited to, periodic inspections. However, except as required by AS 18.35.240, the
9 regulations may not require a restaurant or tavern to have more than one toilet
10 accommodation.

11 * **Sec. 2.** AS 18.35 is amended by adding a new section to read:

12 **Sec. 18.35.240. Required number of toilets in women's restrooms.** (a)
13 Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the owner of a facility designed and
14 constructed on or after the effective date of this section in which events are held that

1 are open to members of the public and that has a capacity of more than 100 persons
2 shall make available in the facility to the women attending an event at least one and
3 one-half times the number of toilets that are available in the facility to the men
4 attending the event.

5 (b) A person who knowingly violates (a) of this section is guilty of a class C
6 misdemeanor.

7 (c) The Department of Environmental Conservation may adopt regulations to
8 implement and enforce this section.

9 (d) In this section,

10 (1) "facility" means a private, governmental, or other structure,
11 including a performing arts theater, an arena, and a convention center, but does not
12 include a structure controlled by a judicial branch of government;

13 (2) "owner" means, with respect to a facility owned by the state or the
14 federal government, the state or federal agency that operates the facility;

15 (3) "person" includes a government or a governmental instrumentality.