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# H. R. 1361

To provide for restroom gender parity in Federal buildings.

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

APRIL 4, 2011

Mr. TOWNS (for himself, Mr. MANZULLO, Ms. CLARKE of New York, Mr. CLEAVER, Ms. JACKSON LEE of Texas, Mrs. MALONEY, Mr. MEEKS, Mr. RANGEL, Mr. THOMPSON of Mississippi, Ms. WATERS, Ms. RICHARDSON, Mr. PAYNE, Mr. GRIJALVA, and Ms. NORTON) 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

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## A BILL

To provide for restroom gender parity in Federal buildings.

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”.

1 **SEC. 2. REQUIREMENT TO REVISE FEDERAL ACQUISITION**  
2 **REGULATION.**

3 (a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 2 years after the  
4 date of enactment of this Act, the Federal Acquisition  
5 Regulation shall be revised—

6 (1) to direct any Federal procurement execu-  
7 tives involved in the acquisition, construction, or  
8 major renovation (including contracting for the con-  
9 struction or major renovation) of any facility to in-  
10 crease infrastructure gender parity by—

11 (A) constructing buildings in such a way  
12 that the number of toilets in women’s restrooms  
13 will equal or exceed the number of toilets (in-  
14 cluding urinals) in men’s restrooms; or

15 (B) if such a number is unachievable or  
16 not feasible, receive a statement by the Admin-  
17 istrator of General Services as to why such a  
18 number of toilets is not needed; and

19 (2) to direct Federal procurement executives in-  
20 volved in leasing buildings to give preference to the  
21 lease of facilities that meet or exceed the female toi-  
22 let to male toilet (including urinals) ratio of 1 to 1.

23 (b) GUIDANCE.—Not later than 90 days after the  
24 date of promulgation of revised regulations under sub-  
25 section (a), the Director for Federal Procurement Policy  
26 shall issue guidance to all Federal procurement executives

- 1 providing direction and instructions to renegotiate the de-
- 2 sign of proposed facilities, renovations for existing facili-
- 3 ties, and leased facilities to incorporate improvements that
- 4 are consistent with this section.

