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8 SYNOPSIS: The State Building Code contains
9 requirements pertaining to the number of restroom
10 fixtures provided for each sex based on the
11 description of the facility. The requirements
12 specifically pertaining to restroom fixtures
13 provided at stadiums apply to public high school
14 sports stadiums in Alabama.

15 This bill would reduce the required number
16 of restroom fixtures provided at public high school
17 sports stadiums for each sex based on total stadium
18 occupancy.

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20 A BILL
21 TO BE ENTITLED
22 AN ACT

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24 Relating to education; to add Section 16-1-2.3 to
25 the Code of Alabama 1975, to reduce the required number of
26 restroom fixtures provided at public high school sports
27 stadiums for each sex based on total stadium occupancy.

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA:

2 Section 1. Section 16-1-2.3 is added to Chapter 1,
3 Title 16 of the Code of Alabama 1975, to read as follows:

4 §16-1-2.3.

5 (a) This section applies to all of the following:

6 (1) Any existing public high school sports stadium
7 for which otherwise applicable state or local building or
8 plumbing codes or state or local laws or regulations would
9 require a change in the amount of plumbing fixtures on or
10 after the effective date of the act adding this section.

11 (2) Public high school sports stadiums constructed
12 on or after the effective date of the act adding this section.

13 (b) Notwithstanding any otherwise applicable state
14 or local building or plumbing codes or state or local laws or
15 regulations that specifically pertain to the number of
16 required plumbing fixtures in a stadium, stadiums described in
17 subsection (a) shall meet the following requirements:

18 (1) Men's restrooms shall be equipped with all the
19 following:

20 a. One toilet per 200 seats for the first 1,500
21 seats of total stadium occupancy.

22 b. One toilet per 250 seats for the next 1,500 seats
23 of total stadium occupancy.

24 c. One toilet per 500 seats for any remainder of
25 total stadium occupancy.

26 d. One lavatory per 300 seats.

1 (2) Women's restrooms shall be equipped with all the
2 following:

3 a. One toilet per 100 seats for the first 1,520
4 seats of total stadium occupancy.

5 b. One toilet per 150 seats for the next 1,520 seats
6 of total stadium occupancy.

7 c. One toilet per 300 seats for any remainder of
8 total stadium occupancy.

9 d. One lavatory per 300 seats.

10 (c) The calculation of total occupant load for each
11 sex shall be done in accordance with the requirements of the
12 currently applicable state building code and state plumbing
13 code.

14 (d) Any entity that is entitled to an exemption from
15 or an exception to the application of federal or state
16 requirements relating to renovation of existing restroom
17 facilities, replacement of existing restroom fixtures,
18 addition of new restroom fixtures, or to construction of new
19 restroom facilities in existing public high school sports
20 stadiums may also claim an exemption from or an exception to
21 the requirements of this section under the same criteria where
22 applicable.

23 (e) This section shall not be construed as
24 supplanting or superseding any requirements pertaining to the
25 availability of accessible restroom facilities and fixtures
26 pursuant to the Americans with Disabilities Act, the 1991 ADA
27 Standards for Accessible Design, the 2010 ADA Standards for

1 Accessible Design, or other related or otherwise applicable
2 federal laws or regulations.

3 (f) This section shall not be construed as
4 supplanting or superseding any requirements of otherwise
5 applicable state or local building or plumbing codes or state
6 or local laws or regulations other than those that
7 specifically pertain to the number of required restroom
8 fixtures for each sex based on total stadium occupancy.

9 Section 2. This act shall become effective on the
10 first day of the third month following its passage and
11 approval by the Governor, or its otherwise becoming law.