

**REVENUE:** No revenue impact

**FISCAL:** No fiscal impact

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<b>Action:</b>	Do Pass as Amended and Be Printed Engrossed
<b>Vote:</b>	4 - 0 - 2
<b>Yeas:</b>	Courtney, Hansell, Hass, Dingfelder
<b>Nays:</b>	0
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<b>Meeting Dates:</b>	4/8

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**WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:** Stipulates, effective January 1, 2016, average amount of water used by new or replacement fixtures may not exceed: (a) 1.3 gallons or 4.92 liters per flush for water closets; (b) 0.5 gallons or 1.89 liters per flush for floor-mounted urinals; (c) 0.125 gallons or 0.47 liters per flush for wall-mounted urinals; (d) 2.5 gallons or 9.46 liters per minute for shower heads; (e) 2.2 gallons or 8.33 liters per minute for interior faucets other than in lavatories; and (f) 1.5 gallons or 5.68 liters per minute for faucets in lavatories.

**ISSUES DISCUSSED:**

- Bill was introduced as result of relating clause being too narrow in Senate Bill 692
- Proposed standards are identical to standards adopted in California

**EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT:** Establishes limit of 8.33 liters per minute for interior faucets other than in lavatories. Changes toilets to water closets.

**BACKGROUND:** The Building Codes Division (BCD) provides code development, administration, inspection, plan review, licensing, and permit services to the construction industry. The BCD has adopted 13 specialty codes and administers programs for each code area. The codes of practice attempt to minimize public risk by specifying technical standards of design, materials, workmanship and maintenance for plumbing systems. Senate Bill 840 A would establish limits on the average amount of water used by specified plumbing fixtures.