



SUPPORT

A. 5699-B /S. 4591-B (Hunter/Valesky)

Water Saving Performance Standards

The New York League of Conservation Voters supports A. 5699-B/S. 4591-B (Hunter/Valesky), which would align water saving performance standards with federal guidelines set under the EPA's WaterSense Program.

In 2006, the EPA established the WaterSense Program, which voluntarily labels products that meet water-efficiency standards. Many other states, including California, Texas, and Georgia, have adopted tighter efficiency standards. New York's water fixture efficiency standards have not been updated since 2002 and do not conform to these federal guidelines.

A. 5699-B/S. 4591-B would raise the efficiency standards to meet those set by the federal WaterSense guidelines and require that such fixtures be labeled as such. Reducing losses in water distribution helps consumers and the environment, reducing costs and conserving water resources for future generations.

NYLCV therefore supports A. 5699-B/S. 4591-B and urges its passage.

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