



Public Buildings Reforms *of the*
THOMAS R. CARPER WATER RESOURCES DEVELOPMENT ACT of 2024

Increases Transparency and Oversight:

- Creates an expiration date for Congressional Committee Resolutions authorizing certain projects proposed by the General Services Administration (GSA).
- Requires GSA to notify Congress if a public building project's scope or size increases or decreases by a certain amount and to provide additional information when proposing projects for congressional approval.
- Increases opportunities for public input and access to information in the process by which GSA updates or changes the P100 facilities standards guidance document.
- Requires the Government Accountability Office (GAO) to conduct reviews and prepare reports on various programs and activities related to the federal real estate portfolio.

Right-Sizes the Federal Real Property Portfolio:

- Extends the term of the Public Buildings Reform Board, which makes recommendations for right sizing the federal real property portfolio, through 2026.
- Makes improvements to increase the transparency and effectiveness of the processes established by the Federal Assets Sale and Transfer Act (P.L. 114-287) to support the sale, disposal or redevelopment of certain federal public buildings.
- Requires GSA and the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) to implement a standard methodology for measuring occupancy in federal public buildings and federally leased space.
- Directs GSA and OMB to adjust the federal real property portfolio under certain circumstances based on utilization rates.
- Directs GSA to sell certain unused or underutilized federal public buildings in Washington, D.C.

Names Certain Federal Public Buildings:

- Includes 8 designations to name public buildings, courthouses and courthouse annexes after distinguished public servants and other individuals who made significant contributions to society.