

1 SB110
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3 By Senator Orr
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8 SYNOPSIS: This bill would require public
9 accommodations and facilities operated by public
10 entities to install and maintain baby diaper
11 changing stations accessible to both males and
12 females.

14 A BILL
15 TO BE ENTITLED
16 AN ACT

18 Relating to public accommodations and facilities
19 operated by public entities; to require the installation and
20 maintenance of baby diaper changing stations under certain
21 circumstances.

22 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA:

23 Section 1. (a) For purposes of this section, the
24 following terms have the following meanings:

25 (1) PUBLIC ACCOMMODATION. Has the same meaning as
26 defined in 42 U.S.C. §12181.

1 (2) PUBLIC ENTITY. Has the same meaning as defined
2 in 42 U.S.C. §12131.

3 (b) (1) Public accommodations and facilities operated
4 by public entities shall provide either of the following:

5 a. At least one restroom for each gender that is
6 equipped with a baby diaper changing station.

7 b. At least one baby diaper changing station that is
8 accessible to both men and women.

9 (2) Each baby diaper changing station shall include
10 signage at or near the entrance to the baby diaper changing
11 station indicating the location of the station. Any existing
12 central directory or map identifying the location of offices,
13 restrooms, and other facilities shall be revised to indicate
14 the location of the baby diaper changing stations. Each baby
15 diaper changing station shall be maintained, repaired, and
16 replaced as necessary to ensure safety and ease of use, and
17 shall be cleaned with the same frequency as the public
18 restrooms located within the facility.

19 (c) Except as otherwise provided in subsection (d),
20 this section applies to new construction and to a renovation
21 of a restroom for which a permit has been obtained and for
22 which the cost of renovation is ten thousand dollars (\$10,000)
23 or more. If a public accommodation or a facility operated by a
24 public entity is in compliance with the requirements of this
25 section at the time of new construction or renovation,
26 additional restrooms equipped with baby diaper changing
27 stations are not required.

1 (d) This section does not apply to either of the
2 following:

3 (1) A public accommodation in which a person under
4 18 years of age is not allowed to enter.

5 (2) A renovation of an existing public accommodation
6 or a facility operated by a public entity with respect to
7 which a local building permitting entity or building inspector
8 determines the installation of a baby diaper changing station
9 is not feasible or would result in a failure to comply with
10 applicable building standards governing the right of access
11 for persons with disabilities.

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