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REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON HUMAN SERVICES, MARCH 8, 2023

AN ACT

Amending the act of November 10, 1999 (P.L.491, No.45), entitled "An act establishing a uniform construction code; imposing 2 powers and duties on municipalities and the Department of 3 Labor and Industry; providing for enforcement; imposing penalties; and making repeals," in uniform construction code, 5 providing for adult changing stations in places of public 6 accommodation. The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania 8 hereby enacts as follows: 10 Section 1. The act of November 10, 1999 (P.L.491, No.45), known as the Pennsylvania Construction Code Act, is amended by 11 12 adding a section to read: 13 Section 306. Adult changing stations in places of public 14 accommodation. 15 (a) Installation and maintenance. -- An individual, corporation, partnership, company, organization, association or 16 17 other business entity that owns or manages a place of public accommodation shall install and maintain at least one adult 18 changing station. Each adult changing station shall be 19 accessible to both men and women when the place of public 20

- 1 accommodation is open to the public and any of the following
- 2 conditions are met:
- 3 (1) The place of public accommodation is constructed on
- 4 <u>or after the date which is two years after the effective date</u>
- 5 of this subsection.
- 6 (2) Except as provided in subsection (b), when an
- 7 alteration or addition is made on or after the date which is
- 8 <u>four years after the effective date of this subsection to a</u>
- 9 place of public accommodation which existed before the
- 10 effective date of this subsection and:
- 11 <u>(i) the alteration or addition requires a permit; or</u>
- 12 <u>(ii) the estimated cost of the alteration or</u>
- addition is \$10,000 or more.
- (b) Compliance. -- A place of public accommodation which is
- 15 subject to subsection (a) (2) and which has an adult changing
- 16 station in use prior to the date which is four years after the
- 17 effective date of this subsection, shall be deemed to comply
- 18 with the requirements of subsection (a).
- 19 (c) Signage. -- A place of public accommodation shall ensure
- 20 <u>that:</u>
- 21 (1) the entrance to each adult changing station has
- 22 conspicuous signage indicating the location of the adult
- 23 changing station; and
- 24 (2) if the place of public accommodation has a central
- 25 <u>directory</u>, the central directory indicates the location of
- 26 the adult changing station.
- 27 (d) Definitions. -- As used in this section, the following
- 28 words and phrases shall have the meanings given to them in this
- 29 subsection unless the context clearly indicates otherwise:
- 30 "Adult changing station." An adult changing table placed

- 1 within an enclosed restroom facility or other similar private
- 2 facility that is for use by older children, the elderly and
- 3 adults with disabilities or special health care needs.
- 4 <u>"Adult changing table." A powered, height-adjustable table</u>
- 5 that shall:
- 6 (1) Be at least 25 inches wide and 72 inches long.
- 7 (2) Support at least 350 pounds.
- 8 "Commonwealth entity." Any of the following:
- 9 (1) An executive agency, as defined in 62 Pa.C.S. § 103
- 10 <u>(relating to definitions).</u>
- 11 (2) An independent agency, as defined in 62 Pa.C.S. §
- 12 <u>103.</u>
- 13 (3) The General Assembly and its officers and agencies.
- 14 (4) An officer or agency of the unified judicial system.
- 15 <u>"Place of public accommodation."</u> Any of the following:
- 16 (1) An auditorium, convention center, cultural complex,
- 17 exhibition hall, permanent amusement park, sports arena,
- 18 theater or movie house for which the maximum occupancy is
- determined to be 2,000 or more individuals.
- 20 (2) A State-owned building.
- 21 (3) A hospital.
- 22 (4) A public airport which routinely offers domestic or
- 23 international flights.
- 24 "State-owned building." A building which is owned or
- 25 constructed for a Commonwealth entity. The term includes
- 26 roadside rest areas maintained by the Department of
- 27 Transportation under the act of June 7, 1961 (P.L.257, No.151),
- 28 entitled "An act providing for the construction, erection and
- 29 <u>maintenance of roadside rests adjacent to State highway routes;</u>
- 30 providing for the acquisition of interests in land by gift,

- 1 purchase or condemnation; granting powers to and imposing duties
- 2 upon the Department of Transportation, the Secretary of
- 3 Transportation, the Governor and the Department of General
- 4 <u>Services; authorizing rules and regulations and providing</u>
- 5 penalties for violations thereof, and making an appropriation."
- 6 Section 2. This act shall take effect immediately.