THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

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AN ACT

Amending the act of November 10, 1999 (P.L.491, No.45), entitled 1 "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 changing stations in public buildings or 6 facilities. 8 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania hereby enacts as follows: 10 Section 1. The act of November 10, 1999 (P.L.491, No.45), 11 known as the Pennsylvania Construction Code Act, is amended by 12 adding a section to read: Section 306. Changing stations in public buildings or 13 14 facilities. 15 (a) Installation and maintenance. -- An individual, agency, 16 corporation, partnership, company, organization, association or 17 other business entity that owns or manages a public building or 18 facility, a State-owned building or a health care facility shall 19 install and maintain at least one adult changing station for persons with disabilities or special health care issues or the 20

- 1 elderly. Each changing station shall be accessible to both men
- 2 and women when the public building or facility is open to the
- 3 public and any of the following conditions are met:
- 4 (1) The public building or facility, State-owned
- 5 building or health care facility is constructed on or after
- 6 the date which is two years after the effective date of this
- 7 subsection.
- 8 (2) When an alteration or addition is made on or after
- 9 <u>the date which is four years after the effective date of this</u>
- 10 subsection to a public building or facility, State-owned
- 11 <u>building or health care facility that existed before the</u>
- 12 <u>effective date of this subsection and:</u>
- (i) the alteration or addition requires a permit;
- 14 <u>and</u>
- 15 <u>(ii)</u> the estimated cost of the alteration or
- addition is \$20,000 or more.
- 17 (b) Signage. -- A public building or facility, State-owned
- 18 building or health care facility shall ensure that:
- 19 <u>(1) the entrance to each adult changing station has</u>
- 20 conspicuous signage indicating the location of the adult
- 21 changing station; and
- 22 (2) if the public building or facility, State-owned
- 23 building or health care facility has a central directory, the
- 24 central directory indicates the location of the adult
- 25 changing station.
- 26 (c) Definitions.--As used in this section, the following
- 27 words and phrases shall have the meanings given to them in this
- 28 subsection unless the context clearly indicates otherwise:
- 29 "Adult changing station." A private, enclosed family or
- 30 assisted-use toilet facility containing an adult changing table

- 1 that is for use by older children, the elderly and adults with
- 2 <u>disabilities or special health care needs.</u>
- 3 "Adult changing table." A powered, height-adjustable table
- 4 that:
- 5 (1) Has safety rails on each side of the table and a
- 6 <u>safety belt.</u>
- 7 (2) Is capable of being lowered to a height of no less
- 8 than 19 inches and raised to a height of no less than 38
- 9 inches.
- 10 (3) Is at least 25 inches wide and at least 72 inches
- 11 <u>long.</u>
- 12 <u>(4) Supports at least 400 pounds.</u>
- 13 "Health care facility." A general or special hospital,
- 14 including psychiatric hospitals, rehabilitation hospitals and
- 15 long-term care nursing facilities. The term includes both for-
- 16 profit and nonprofit entities and includes those operated by an
- 17 agency or State or local government. The term shall also include
- 18 a hospice. The term does not include an office used primarily
- 19 for the private or group practice by health care practitioners
- 20 where no reviewable clinically related health service is
- 21 offered.
- 22 "Public building or facility." An establishment with the
- 23 capacity to serve 1,500 or more persons per day, including an
- 24 auditorium, convention center, permanent amusement park, movie
- 25 theater, theater, concert hall, sports arena, stadium, shopping
- 26 center or store of at least 40,000 square feet, museum library,
- 27 park, zoo, airport, train station and bus station.
- 28 "State-owned building." The Capitol Building, a building
- 29 owned or managed by the Administrative Office of Pennsylvania
- 30 Courts, rest stops located on interstate highways and the

- 1 Pennsylvania Turnpike and a public building or facility located
- 2 <u>on a State-owned or State-related college or university.</u>
- 3 Section 2. This act shall take effect immediately.