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County Council of Howard County, Maryland

2019 Legislative Session

Legislative Day No. **5**

Bill No. 14 -2019

Introduced by: Christiana Mercer Rigby and Opel Jones

Co-sponsored by: Deb Jung and Liz Walsh

AN ACT to require certain buildings and occupancies to have diaper-changing amenities accessible to certain occupants under certain conditions; and generally relating to the Howard County Building Code.

Introduced and read first time _____, 2019. Ordered posted and hearing scheduled.

By order _____
Jessica Feldmark, Administrator

Having been posted and notice of time & place of hearing & title of Bill having been published according to Charter, the Bill was read for a second time at a public hearing on _____, 2019.

By order _____
Jessica Feldmark, Administrator

This Bill was read the third time on _____, 2019 and Passed ____, Passed with amendments _____, Failed _____.

By order _____
Jessica Feldmark, Administrator

Sealed with the County Seal and presented to the County Executive for approval this _____ day of _____, 2019 at ___ a.m./p.m.

By order _____
Jessica Feldmark, Administrator

Approved by the County Executive _____, 2019

Calvin Ball, County Executive

NOTE: [[text in brackets]] indicates deletions from existing law; TEXT IN SMALL CAPITALS indicates additions to existing law; ~~Strike out~~ indicates material deleted by amendment; Underlining indicates material added by amendment.

1 **Section 1. Be It Enacted** by the County Council of Howard County, Maryland, that the Howard
2 County Code is amended as follows:

3 By adding:

4 Title 3 - Buildings

5 Subtitle 1 – Building Code.

6 Section 3.101. Amendments to the International Building Code, 2018 Edition.

7 Subsection (b)(60A). Subsection 1210.4 Diaper-changing amenity.

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9 **Title 3 - Buildings**

10 **Subtitle 1 – Building Code.**

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12 **Section 3.101. Amendments to the International Building Code, 2018 Edition.**

13 (b) *Local Amendments.* The following amendments modify certain provisions of the
14 adopted Code.

15 (60A) SUBSECTION 1210.4 DIAPER-CHANGING AMENITY.

16 ADD NEW SUBSECTION 1210.4 AFTER SUBSECTION 1210.3 AS FOLLOWS:

17 **1210.4 DIAPER-CHANGING AMENITY.**

18 (1) THIS SUBSECTION APPLIES TO THE FOLLOWING OCCUPANCY
19 TYPES: ASSEMBLY GROUP A-1, A-2, A-3, A-4, AND A-5, BUSINESS GROUP
20 B, EDUCATIONAL GROUP E, INSTITUTIONAL GROUP I-1, I-2, AND I-4,
21 MERCANTILE GROUP M, RESIDENTIAL GROUP R-1, AND STORAGE GROUP
22 S-2.

23 (2) IN EACH PORTION OF THE OCCUPANCY THAT CONTAINS A PUBLIC
24 TOILET OR BATHROOM, PERSONS OF ALL GENDERS MUST HAVE ACCESS TO A
25 DIAPER-CHANGING STATION OR SIMILAR AMENITY THAT IS SAFE, SANITARY,
26 AND CONVENIENT.

27 (3) THIS SUBSECTION DOES NOT APPLY TO:

28 (I) BUILDINGS THAT ALREADY HAVE A NEW BUILDING PERMIT
29 AND ARE NOT UNDERGOING RENOVATIONS;

30 (II) BUILDINGS UNDERGOING RENOVATIONS IF THE
31 RENOVATIONS DO NOT REQUIRE A BUILDING PERMIT;

32 (III) BUILDINGS THAT PROHIBIT ENTRANCE TO MINORS; AND

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(IV) BUILDINGS FOR WHICH THE BUILDING OFFICIAL
DETERMINES THAT THE INSTALLATION OF A DIAPER-CHANGING
FACILITY OR SIMILAR AMENITY IS NOT FEASIBLE.

*Section 2. And Be It Further Enacted by the County Council of Howard County, Maryland that
this Act shall become effective 61 days after its enactment.*