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

By adding:

Title 3 - Buildings
Subtitle 1 - Building Code.


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

Title 3 - Buildings
Subtitle 1 – Building Code.


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

(60A) (62A) SUBSECTION 1210.4 DIAPER-CHANGING AMENITY.

ADD NEW SUBSECTION 1210.4 AFTER SUBSECTION 1210.3 AS FOLLOWS:

1210.4 DIAPER-CHANGING AMENITY.


(2) In each portion of the occupancy that contains a public toilet or bathroom, persons of all genders must have access to a diaper-changing station or similar amenity that is safe, sanitary, and convenient.

(3) This subsection does not apply to:

(i) Buildings that already have a new building permit and are not undergoing renovations;

(ii) Buildings undergoing renovations if the renovations do not require a building permit;

(iii) Buildings that prohibit entrance to minors; and
(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.
Amendment 1 to Council Bill No. 14

BY: Chairperson

Legislative Day 6

Date: 5/6/19

Amendment No. 1

(This amendment makes a technical correction required by the passage of Council Bill 13-2019.)

1 On page 1, in line 15, strike "(60A)" and substitute "(62A)"

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