

1 A bill to be entitled
 2 An act relating to universal changing places; creating
 3 s. 553.5145, F.S.; providing definitions; requiring
 4 certain entities to install and maintain at least one
 5 universal changing place at specified locations;
 6 specifying requirements for a universal changing
 7 place; providing applicability; providing an effective
 8 date.

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 10 Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

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 12 Section 1. Section 553.5145, Florida Statutes, is created
 13 to read:

14 553.5145 Universal changing place.-

15 (1) As used in this section, the term:

16 (a) "Physical disability" means a condition of physical
 17 incapacitation due to a developmental disability, organic brain
 18 damage, or mental illness, or one or more physical or mental
 19 limitations that restrict a person's ability to perform the
 20 normal activities of daily living.

21 (b) "Place of public accommodation" has the same meaning
 22 as in section 106.5 of the Florida Accessibility Code for
 23 Building Construction.

24 (c) "Professional office of a health care provider" has
 25 the same meaning as in section 106.5 of the Florida

26 Accessibility Code for Building Construction.

27 (d) "Public building or facility" has the same meaning as
 28 in section 106.5 of the Florida Accessibility Code for Building
 29 Construction.

30 (e) "Universal changing place" means an enclosed family or
 31 assisted-use restroom facility containing a powered, height-
 32 adjustable adult changing table that is either floor or wall
 33 mounted with a safety rail or safety belt and that can be used
 34 by a person of either sex, with his or her care provider, if
 35 applicable, for personal hygiene purposes.

36 (2) A person, private firm, organization, corporation, or
 37 state or local government that operates a place of public
 38 accommodation or public building or facility shall install and
 39 maintain at least one universal changing place at each of the
 40 following locations in a family or assisted-use restroom
 41 facility for persons of either sex who have a physical
 42 disability:

43 (a) Places of exhibition or entertainment, which include
 44 movie theaters, theaters, concert halls, sports arenas, and
 45 stadiums.

46 (b) Shopping centers, shopping malls, or stores of at
 47 least 40,000 square feet.

48 (c) Places of public display or collection, which include
 49 museums, libraries, and galleries.

50 (d) Places of recreation, which include parks, zoos, and

51 amusement parks.

52 (e) Places of education, which include elementary,
 53 secondary, undergraduate, and postgraduate private or public
 54 schools.

55 (f) Social service centers, which include senior centers
 56 and homeless shelters.

57 (g) Public buildings or facilities, which include any
 58 state or local government buildings, rest areas, and state
 59 parks.

60 (h) Stations used for public transportation, which include
 61 airport terminals, railway depots, and bus stations.

62 (i) Professional offices of health care providers, which
 63 include hospitals and rehabilitation centers.

64 (3) (a) The universal changing place must measure at least
 65 8 feet by 10 feet, with adequate space for a wheelchair to
 66 maneuver; be equipped with a powered, height-adjustable adult
 67 changing table, a waste receptacle, a toilet, a sink or
 68 washbasin, a soap dispenser, and a paper towel dispenser; and
 69 comply with current accessibility requirements of the Americans
 70 with Disabilities Act.

71 (b) The powered, height-adjustable adult changing table in
 72 the universal changing place must:

73 1. Be able to lower to a height of no less than 8 inches
 74 and raise to height of no less than 34 inches;

75 2. Be at least 25 inches in width by 70 inches in length;

76 | and

77 | 3. Support up to at least 350 pounds.

78 | (c) A family or assisted-use restroom facility that has a
79 | universal changing place shall include signage at or near the
80 | entrance to the family or assisted-use restroom facility
81 | indicating that the facility has a universal changing place. If
82 | a place of public accommodation or public building or facility
83 | has a central directory identifying the location of offices,
84 | restrooms, and other facilities, the central directory shall
85 | indicate the location of each universal changing place in the
86 | place of public accommodation or public building or facility.

87 | (4) This section applies to any place of public
88 | accommodation or public building or facility that is open to the
89 | public and is:

90 | (a) Built on or after January 1, 2021; or

91 | (b) An existing place of public accommodation or public
92 | building or facility that applies for a building permit on or
93 | after January 1, 2021, for a renovation of a main facility in
94 | the place of public accommodation or public building or
95 | facility, not including a parking garage, estimated to cost
96 | \$37,500 or more.

97 | Section 2. This act shall take effect January 1, 2021.