

**House File 306 - Introduced**

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**A BILL FOR**

1 An Act requiring the installation and maintenance of adult  
2 changing stations at certain locations, providing penalties,  
3 and including effective date and applicability provisions.  
4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

1 Section 1. SHORT TITLE. This Act shall be known as  
2 "Adalynn's Law".

3 Sec. 2. NEW SECTION. 216C.13 **Adult changing stations.**

4 1. For purposes of this section, "*adult changing station*"  
5 means a universally accessible, height-adjustable adult  
6 changing table placed within an enclosed restroom facility  
7 or other similar facility that is for use by persons with  
8 disabilities who need assistance with diapering.

9 2. An adult changing station shall be installed and  
10 maintained at all of the following locations:

11 a. Any new building or facility to which the public is  
12 invited or in which the public is permitted.

13 b. Any renovated building or facility to which the public  
14 is invited or in which the public is permitted, where such  
15 renovations require a permit, certificate, authorization, or  
16 other required document or where the renovations will cost ten  
17 thousand dollars or more.

18 c. Any building or facility to which the public is invited  
19 or in which the public is permitted, with the capacity to serve  
20 one thousand five hundred or more persons in any one day,  
21 including but not limited to state buildings and facilities.

22 d. Shopping malls and retail stores with a floor space of  
23 forty thousand square feet or more.

24 e. Entertainment venues with a floor space of forty thousand  
25 square feet or more, including but not limited to theaters,  
26 concert halls, auditoriums, and other facilities primarily used  
27 for exhibiting motion pictures, stage performances, lectures,  
28 musical recitals, and other similar performances, bingo  
29 facilities, gambling structures, and indoor arenas including  
30 sports arenas.

31 f. Public transportation facilities under the authority  
32 of the state or its political subdivisions, including bus  
33 stations.

34 g. Galleries, libraries, museums, and tourist information  
35 centers.

1 *h.* Parks, playgrounds, recreational centers, zoos, and  
2 amusement or theme parks.

3 *i.* General aviation airports as defined in section 328.1.

4 *j.* Rest areas as defined in section 306C.10.

5 *k.* Public or nonpublic educational facilities, including but  
6 not limited to schools, colleges, and universities.

7 *l.* Hospitals as defined in section 135B.1.

8 *m.* A facility as defined in section 125.2.

9 3. Each location required to install and maintain an adult  
10 changing station, as provided for in subsection 2, shall  
11 ensure that the entrance to each adult changing station has  
12 conspicuous signage indicating the location of the adult  
13 changing station.

14 4. A person who violates this section shall be assessed a  
15 civil penalty by the department of human rights which is not  
16 to exceed two hundred fifty dollars. Moneys collected under  
17 this subsection shall be remitted to the treasurer of state for  
18 deposit in the general fund of the state.

19 Sec. 3. IMPLEMENTATION OF ACT. Section 25B.2, subsection  
20 3, shall not apply to this Act.

21 Sec. 4. EFFECTIVE DATE. This Act takes effect January 1,  
22 2022.

23 Sec. 5. APPLICABILITY.

24 1. Section 216C.13, subsection 2, paragraph "a", as enacted  
25 in this Act, applies to buildings and facilities on which  
26 construction will commence on or after January 1, 2023.

27 2. Section 216C.13, subsection 2, paragraph "b", as enacted  
28 in this Act, applies to buildings and facilities on which  
29 renovations will commence on or after January 1, 2026.

30 EXPLANATION

31 The inclusion of this explanation does not constitute agreement with  
32 the explanation's substance by the members of the general assembly.

33 This bill requires the installation and maintenance of adult  
34 changing stations at certain locations. The bill defines the  
35 term "adult changing station". An adult changing station

1 is required to be installed and maintained in certain new  
2 buildings and facilities constructed on or after January 1,  
3 2023; certain buildings or facilities renovated on or after  
4 January 1, 2026; buildings or facilities with the capacity  
5 to serve 1,500 or more persons in any one day; shopping  
6 malls, retail stores, and certain entertainment venues with  
7 a floor space of 40,000 square feet or more; certain public  
8 transportation facilities; galleries, libraries, museums, and  
9 tourist information centers; parks, playgrounds, recreational  
10 centers, zoos, and amusement or theme parks; certain airports;  
11 rest areas; education facilities; hospitals; and rehabilitation  
12 facilities. Each location required to install an adult  
13 changing station is required to install conspicuous signage  
14 at the entrance of each adult changing station indicating its  
15 location.

16 A violation of the bill is punishable by a civil penalty  
17 not to exceed \$250 to be assessed by the department of human  
18 rights. Moneys collected are to be remitted to the treasurer  
19 of state for deposit in the general fund.

20 The bill may include a state mandate as defined in Code  
21 section 25B.3. The bill makes inapplicable Code section 25B.2,  
22 subsection 3, which would relieve a political subdivision from  
23 complying with a state mandate if funding for the cost of  
24 the state mandate is not provided or specified. Therefore,  
25 political subdivisions are required to comply with any state  
26 mandate included in the bill.

27 The bill takes effect January 1, 2022.

28 The bill shall be known as "Adalynn's Law".