

ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 241—ASSEMBLYMEN FRIERSON,
WATKINS; ARAUJO AND BILBRAY-AXELROD

FEBRUARY 24, 2017

Referred to Committee on Government Affairs

SUMMARY—Requires baby changing facilities in certain public restrooms. (BDR 22-861)

FISCAL NOTE: Effect on Local Government: No.
Effect on the State: No.

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EXPLANATION – Matter in *bolded italics* is new; matter between brackets ~~omitted material~~ is material to be omitted.

AN ACT relating to public accommodations; providing that counties and cities must include in building codes or adopt by ordinance a requirement that public restrooms in certain buildings be equipped with baby changing facilities; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Legislative Counsel’s Digest:

1 Under existing law, the governing body of any county or incorporated city is
2 authorized to: (1) regulate matters relating to the construction of buildings; and (2)
3 adopt building codes. (NRS 244.3675, 268.413) **Section 1** of this bill requires each
4 county and city to include in its respective building code a requirement that every
5 public restroom in a building constructed on or after the effective date of this bill be
6 equipped with baby changing facilities. If a county or city has no building code,
7 **section 1** requires the county or city to adopt this requirement by ordinance.
8 **Sections 2-4** of this bill make conforming changes.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEVADA, REPRESENTED IN
SENATE AND ASSEMBLY, DO ENACT AS FOLLOWS:

1 **Section 1.** Chapter 278 of NRS is hereby amended by adding
2 thereto a new section to read as follows:

3 *1. Each county and city shall include in its respective*
4 *building code a requirement that every public restroom in a*
5 *building constructed on or after the effective date of this act be*
6 *equipped with baby changing facilities.*



1 **2. If a county or a city has no building code, it shall adopt by**
2 **ordinance a requirement that every public restroom in a building**
3 **constructed on or after the effective date of this act be equipped**
4 **with baby changing facilities.**

5 **Sec. 2.** NRS 278.010 is hereby amended to read as follows:

6 278.010 As used in NRS 278.010 to 278.630, inclusive, **and**
7 **section 1 of this act**, unless the context otherwise requires, the
8 words and terms defined in NRS 278.0103 to 278.0195, inclusive,
9 have the meanings ascribed to them in those sections.

10 **Sec. 3.** NRS 244.3675 is hereby amended to read as follows:

11 244.3675 Subject to the limitations set forth in NRS 244.368,
12 278.02315, 278.580, 278.582, 278.586, 444.340 to 444.430,
13 inclusive, and 477.030, **and section 1 of this act**, the boards of
14 county commissioners within their respective counties may:

15 1. Regulate all matters relating to the construction,
16 maintenance and safety of buildings, structures and property within
17 the county.

18 2. Adopt any building, electrical, housing, plumbing or safety
19 code necessary to carry out the provisions of this section and
20 establish such fees as may be necessary. Except as otherwise
21 provided in NRS 278.580, these fees do not apply to the State of
22 Nevada or the Nevada System of Higher Education.

23 **Sec. 4.** NRS 268.413 is hereby amended to read as follows:

24 268.413 Subject to the limitations contained in NRS 244.368,
25 278.02315, 278.580, 278.582, 278.586, 444.340 to 444.430,
26 inclusive, and 477.030, **and section 1 of this act**, the city council or
27 other governing body of an incorporated city may:

28 1. Regulate all matters relating to the construction,
29 maintenance and safety of buildings, structures and property within
30 the city.

31 2. Adopt any building, electrical, plumbing or safety code
32 necessary to carry out the provisions of this section and establish
33 such fees as may be necessary. Except as otherwise provided in
34 NRS 278.580, those fees do not apply to the State of Nevada or the
35 Nevada System of Higher Education.

36 **Sec. 5.** This act becomes effective upon passage and approval.

