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HOUSE BILL NO. 313

BY REPRESENTATIVES SIMON AND BARROW

Prefiled pursuant to Article III, Section 2(A)(4)(b)(i) of the Constitution of Louisiana.

PUBLIC BLDGS/GROUNDS-ST: Requires state buildings to provide suitable areas for breastfeeding and lactation

1 AN ACT

2 To enact Subpart D-1 of Part VII of Chapter 1 of Title 49 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes
3 of 1950, to be comprised of R.S. 49:148.4.1, relative to public buildings; to provide
4 for suitable accommodation for breastfeeding and lactation; to provide specifications
5 for design features; and to provide for related matters.

6 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

7 Section 1. Subpart D-1 of Part VII of Chapter 1 of Title 49 of the Louisiana Revised
8 Statutes of 1950, comprised of R.S. 49:148.4.1, is hereby enacted to read as follows:

9 SUBPART D-1. PUBLIC BUILDINGS - ACCOMMODATION FOR

10 BREASTFEEDING AND LACTATION

11 §148.4.1. State-owned buildings; suitable accommodation for breastfeeding and
12 lactation

13 A. The requirements set forth in this Section shall apply to all state-owned
14 buildings, educational institutions, and office buildings which are constructed,
15 renovated, or remodeled in whole or in part by the use of state funds, or the funds of
16 any board, commission, agency, or department of the state, referred to hereafter as
17 "state buildings"; provided, however, that the provisions of this Subpart shall not
18 apply to buildings constructed by parish or city school boards.

19 B. All state buildings shall provide suitable accommodation in the form of
20 a room, other than a toilet stall, for the exclusive use of women to breastfeed a child

- 1 or express breast milk. Such accommodation shall have, at minimum, all of the
2 following features:
- 3 (1) A lockable door.
4 (2) A work surface and chair.
5 (3) A utility-type sink.
6 (4) Storage for cleaning supplies.
7 (5) Adequate heating, ventilation, and air conditioning (HVAC) service,
8 including a thermostat.
9 (6) Conveniently placed electrical outlets.
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DIGEST

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Abstract: Requires state buildings to provide suitable areas for breastfeeding and lactation.

Proposed law provides that for the purposes of proposed law, "state buildings" shall mean all state-owned buildings, educational institutions, and office buildings which are constructed, renovated, or remodeled in whole or in part by the use of state funds, or the funds of any board, commission, agency, or department of the state.

Proposed law provides that the provisions of proposed law shall not apply to buildings constructed by parish or city school boards.

Proposed law requires all state buildings to provide suitable accommodation in the form of a room, other than a toilet stall, for the exclusive use of women to breastfeed a child or express breast milk.

Proposed law requires that such breastfeeding and lactation accommodation have, at a minimum, all of the following features:

- (1) A lockable door.
(2) A work surface and chair.
(3) A utility-type sink.
(4) Storage for cleaning supplies.
(5) Adequate heating, ventilation, and air conditioning (HVAC) service, including a thermostat.
(6) Conveniently placed electrical outlets.

(Adds R.S. 49:148.4.1)