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## FISCAL IMPACT REPORT

**SPONSOR** Romero **ORIGINAL DATE** 1/26/17  
**LAST UPDATED** 3/16/17 **HB** 106/aSJC

**SHORT TITLE** Baby Changing Facilities in Men’s Rooms **SB** \_\_\_\_\_

**ANALYST** Chilton

### ESTIMATED ADDITIONAL OPERATING BUDGET IMPACT (dollars in thousands)

|              | FY17      | FY18      | FY19      | 3 Year<br>Total Cost | Recurring or<br>Nonrecurring | Fund<br>Affected |
|--------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|----------------------|------------------------------|------------------|
| <b>Total</b> | Uncertain | Uncertain | Uncertain | Uncertain            | Recurring                    | General<br>Fund  |

(Parenthesis ( ) Indicate Expenditure Decreases)

### SOURCES OF INFORMATION

LFC Files

#### Responses Received From

Regulation and Licensing Department (RLD)

Public School Financing Authority (PSFA)

### SUMMARY

#### Synopsis of Amendment

The amendment would increase the lower limit of renovations required to trigger the requirement for a baby-changing station to \$25,000 and the renovation would have to be such as to require a building permit.

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House Bill 106 would require that all new construction or substantial renovation (in the original bill, more than \$10,000; after the amendment more than \$25,000 and requiring a building permit) of restrooms in places of public accommodation include the provision of baby changing facilities (a table or similar device) in each such restroom, whether it be for males or females. Definitions of the terms “place of public accommodation” and “baby changing facility” are provided.

Two exceptions to the new requirement would be permitted: 1) the restroom is not accessible or available to the public, and 2) signage directs the public to another restroom on the same floor of the same facility.

The construction industries division of the regulation and licensing department would have the ability to assess a fine if the requirement were not met.

**FISCAL IMPLICATIONS**

PSFA states that “Installation of baby changing stations requires minimal space increase to restroom facilities. The estimated cost for equipment ranges from \$250 to \$1,280. The estimated cost for installation can range from \$500 to \$2,000 based on new construction or the extent of the renovation.” It is not certain how many restrooms would be renovated or newly constructed during this or subsequent fiscal years.

**TECHNICAL ISSUES**

The legislation specifies that no baby changing facility would be required if there were signage directing the public to another restroom with such facilities. However, it does not state what stance the construction industries division should take if the signage directed the public to a restroom serving only males or only females.

The short title of the bill suggests that baby changing stations be made available in men’s rooms; the effect of the bill would be to make the requirement for all restrooms.

**WHAT WILL BE THE CONSEQUENCES OF NOT ENACTING THIS BILL**

Baby changing facilities would not be required, and would be available only where building owners or businesses desired to make the additional expenditure.

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