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# The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

### PRESENTED BY:

### Rebecca L. Rausch

To the Honorable Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts in General Court assembled:

The undersigned legislators and/or citizens respectfully petition for the adoption of the accompanying bill:

An Act providing for diaper changing stations in public buildings and accommodations.

#### PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	
Rebecca L. Rausch	Norfolk, Bristol and Middlesex	
Carmine Lawrence Gentile	13th Middlesex	1/21/2019
Maria Duaime Robinson	6th Middlesex	1/24/2019
Mindy Domb	3rd Hampshire	11/18/2019

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By Ms. Rausch, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 75) of Rebecca L. Rausch, Carmine Lawrence Gentile and Maria Duaime Robinson for legislation to provide for diaper changing stations in public buildings and accommodations. Children, Families and Persons with Disabilities.

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In the One Hundred and Ninety-First General Court (2019-2020)

An Act providing for diaper changing stations in public buildings and accommodations.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

1 SECTION 1. Chapter 143 of the General Laws is hereby amended by inserting after

2 section 100 the following section:-

3 Section 101. Gender Neutral Diaper Changing Stations

4 Any public building or place of public accommodation, resort or amusement, as defined 5 in Chapter 272 of the General Laws, shall install and maintain at least one baby diaper changing 6 station in a semi-private area accessible to caretakers regardless of sex, gender, or disability. 7 This section applies to (a) public buildings and public accommodations constructed on or after 8 the effective date of this section; and (b) public buildings and public accommodations existing on 9 or after the effective date of this section which undergo substantial renovation or remodeling. 10 Each station shall include signage at or near the entrance to the station indicating the location of 11 the baby changing station. If there is a central directory identifying, for the benefit of the public,

the location of offices, restrooms, and other facilities in the building, that central directory shall indicate the location of the baby diaper changing stations. The provisions of this section may be implemented in compliance with local, state, and federal laws regarding access for persons with disabilities, and with existing fire, health, and safety standards.