



MARYLAND DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES COALITION

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The following legislation makes changing facilities available in more places:

SB 61/HB 321: Public Buildings - Changing Facilities – Requirements

Requires changing facilities suitable for changing the diaper of a child and providing personal care for an adult be installed in public restrooms of state buildings when a state building is substantially renovated or newly built, if practical. Additionally, the bill requires a list of where the changing facilities are to be maintained online so that people can easily find them.

- Knowing that changing facilities are available will make daily activities, for people with disabilities, much easier whether that be travel, work, or recreational activities.
- This legislation facilitates everyone's personal care needs, expands access to the community, and ensures more inclusion for people with disabilities and their families. This bill is a critical step towards full equity and a higher quality of life for all.

Note: As of February 1, 2021, the House Health and Government Operations Committee voted favorably and HB 321 will be going to the full House for a vote. The hearing on SB 61 was held January 28, 2021, but the Senate Judicial Proceedings Committee has not voted on the bill yet.

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