

A bill to be entitled
 An act relating to lactation space in courthouses;
 creating s. 29.24, F.S.; requiring at least one
 lactation space to be provided in each county
 courthouse; providing requirements for the lactation
 space; authorizing the use of state or private funds
 to provide lactation spaces in appellate courthouses;
 providing exceptions; providing a declaration of
 important state interest; providing an effective date.

Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

Section 1. Section 29.24, Florida Statutes, is created to
 read:

29.24 Lactation space in courthouses.-

(1) Except as otherwise provided in this section, by
 January 1, 2024, each county courthouse must provide at least
 one dedicated lactation space outside of the confines of a
 restroom for members of the public to express breast milk or
 breastfeed in private. The space must be hygienic, be shielded
 from public view, be free from intrusion while occupied, and
 contain an electrical outlet.

(2) The person responsible for the operation of the
 facility housing each district court of appeal may use state-
 appropriated funds or private funding to provide a lactation

26 space as set forth in subsection (1).

27 (3) The requirements of subsection (1) do not apply to a
 28 courthouse if the person who is responsible for the operation of
 29 the courthouse determines that:

30 (a) The courthouse does not contain a lactation space for
 31 employees which may be used by the members of the public and the
 32 courthouse does not have:

33 1. A space that could be repurposed as a lactation space
 34 open to the public; or

35 2. A space that could be made private at a reasonable cost
 36 using portable materials, contingent upon private funding being
 37 made available for those costs.

38 (b) New construction would be required to create the
 39 lactation space.

40 Section 2. The Legislature finds that this act fulfills an
 41 important state interest.

42 Section 3. This act shall take effect July 1, 2023.