

1 A RESOLUTION urging the Legislative Research Commission and the Finance and
2 Administration Cabinet to work collaboratively to equip men's and women's restrooms
3 with baby changing facilities in the Capitol and Capitol Annex.

4 WHEREAS, the share of stay-at-home parents that are fathers was approximately
5 20 percent in 2017; and

6 WHEREAS, the number of single fathers households in 2017 was more than double
7 the number in 1990 in the United States, 2.9 million compared to 6.4 million; and

8 WHEREAS, the Pew Research Center reports that in 2016 fathers reported
9 spending at least 8 hours a week on childcare; and

10 WHEREAS, all adult family members need access to safe, clean changing tables for
11 their babies while they are in public; and

12 WHEREAS, in 2016 the federal Bathrooms Accessible in Every Situation
13 (BABIES) Act required publically accessible federal buildings to have baby changing
14 tables in both men's and women's restrooms; and

15 WHEREAS, several states including New Jersey, New York, and California have
16 passed state laws requiring safe and compliant changing tables in men's and women's
17 public restrooms; and

18 WHEREAS, state public buildings such as the Capitol and the Capitol Annex
19 should provide baby changing facilities that are physically safe, sanitary, and appropriate
20 for use by all families while they are visiting;

21 NOW, THEREFORE,

22 ***Be it resolved by the House of Representatives of the General Assembly of the***
23 ***Commonwealth of Kentucky:***

24 ➔Section 1. The House of Representatives recognizes the importance of men's
25 and women's restrooms being equipped with baby changing facilities that are physically
26 safe, sanitary, and appropriate in the Capitol and Capitol Annex.

27 ➔Section 2. The Legislative Research Commission and the Finance and

1 Administration Cabinet are urged to work collaboratively to determine the sufficient
2 number and location of men's and women's restrooms to be equipped with baby changing
3 facilities.

4 ➔Section 3. The Clerk of the House of Representatives is directed to transmit a copy
5 of this Resolution to Representative Joni L. Jenkins for delivery.