

Senate Resolution 593

By: Senators Seay of the 34th, Mullis of the 53rd, Butler of the 55th and Orrock of the 36th

ADOPTED SENATE

A RESOLUTION

1 Urging the United States Congress to establish a policy whereby public facilities shall be
2 required to consider adult changing stations; and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, the federal Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 and existing federal
4 regulations and standards require that specified buildings, structures, and facilities be
5 accessible to and usable by persons with disabilities; and

6 WHEREAS, existing laws, among others, require that certain public facilities provide seating
7 or accommodations for physically disabled persons in a variety of locations within the
8 facility; and

9 WHEREAS, it is not always possible for a disabled person or elderly person in need of a
10 diaper change to leave a public facility, and the only recourse for such people and their
11 caregivers is to utilize the floor of the facility's bathroom for such diaper changes; and

12 WHEREAS, airports across the nation have started assisting travelers by installing adult
13 changing tables for the use of disabled individuals, the elderly, and their caregivers; and

14 WHEREAS, the Georgia State Senate supports the accommodation of adult changing stations
15 for disabled and elderly individuals and their caregivers in public facilities as good policy.

16 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that this body urges the
17 United States Congress to enact legislation in the 115th Congress establishing the
18 requirement and regulations under the federal Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 that
19 public facilities should consider adult changing stations.

20 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
21 to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to each member of
22 the Georgia congressional delegation.