

2020 Regular Session

SENATE BILL NO. 387

BY SENATOR MIZELL

CORRECTIONAL FACILITIES. Provides relative to the implementation of the requirement that a state correctional facility be equipped with suitable accommodations for breastfeeding and lactation. (8/1/20)

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AN ACT

To enact R.S. 15:827(A)(10), relative to Department of Public Safety and Corrections; to provide relative to duties of Department of Public Safety and Corrections; to provide with respect to suitable accommodations for breastfeeding and lactation; to provide relative to the implementation of the requirement that a state correctional facility or facility housing state inmates be equipped with suitable accommodations for breastfeeding and lactation; and to provide for related matters.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

Section 1. R.S. 15:827(A)(10) is hereby enacted to read as follows:

§827. Duties of Department of Public Safety and Corrections

A. In addition to other duties imposed upon the department it shall be the duty of the department to:

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(10)(a) Provide suitable accommodations in the form of a room, other than a toilet stall, for the exclusive use of women to breastfeed a child or express breast milk. Such accommodations shall have, at minimum, all of the following features:

(4) Conveniently placed electrical outlets.

Proposed law provides that for purposes of this proposed law, "state correctional facility" means a correctional facility owned and operated by the state of Louisiana or the LCFC or parish facilities housing offenders committed to the custody of the DPSC.

Proposed law provides that the department may adopt any regulation or rule necessary to implement the provisions of proposed law.

Proposed law provides that any rule adopted pursuant to the provisions of proposed law shall be promulgated in accordance with the APA.

Proposed law provides that the provisions of proposed law be implemented to the extent that funds are appropriated for this purpose and to the extent that it is consistent with the available resources.

Effective August 1, 2020.

(Adds 15:827(A)(10))