



104TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

State of Illinois

2025 and 2026

HB5098

Introduced 2/10/2026, by Rep. Nabeela Syed

SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

New Act

Creates the Entertainment Water Access Act. Requires places of entertainment to provide attendees with access to potable water while entertainment is occurring by: (1) providing bottled water at no cost; (2) allowing attendees to bring bottled water; or (3) allowing attendees to bring an empty bottle and providing free water for refilling. Requires the Attorney General to enforce the Act, and allows the Attorney General to provide information to owners and operators of places of entertainment. Allows a State's Attorney or the Attorney General to seek injunctive relief. Defines "entertainment" and "place of entertainment".

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1 AN ACT concerning health.

2 **Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois,**
3 **represented in the General Assembly:**

4 Section 1. Short title. This Act may be cited as the
5 Entertainment Water Access Act.

6 Section 5. Definitions. In this Act:

7 "Entertainment" means all forms of entertainment,
8 including, but not limited to, theatrical or operatic
9 performances, concerts, motion pictures, entertainment at
10 fairgrounds, amusement parks, athletic competitions and other
11 sports, and all other forms of diversion, recreation, or show.

12 "Place of entertainment" means an entertainment facility,
13 including, but not limited to, an amphitheater, theater,
14 stadium, arena, racetrack, museum, amusement park, venue,
15 club, or other place where performances, concerts, exhibits,
16 athletic games, contests, or other forms of entertainment are
17 held. "Place of entertainment" does not include movie
18 theaters.

19 Section 10. Available water requirement. While
20 entertainment is occurring, a place of entertainment shall
21 provide attendees with access to potable water by:

22 (1) providing bottled water at no cost to the

1 attendees;

2 (2) allowing attendees to bring bottled water into the
3 place of entertainment; or

4 (3) allowing attendees to bring an empty water bottle
5 to the place of entertainment and providing attendees with
6 free access to potable water to fill the bottle.

7 Section 15. Enforcement. The Attorney General shall
8 enforce this Act. The Attorney General may provide information
9 to owners and operators of places of entertainment regarding
10 the requirements of this Act. The State's Attorney of the
11 county where a violation occurred or will occur or the
12 Attorney General may bring an action for injunctive relief to
13 enjoin an actual or imminent violation of this Act. This
14 Section shall not be construed to limit any relief at common
15 law or under statute for any damages caused by a violation of
16 this Act.