



## FEDERAL AND ILLINOIS LAW PROTECTS A MOTHER AND HER CHILD'S RIGHT TO BREASTFEED

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### ILLINOIS BREASTFEEDING LAWS

#### **The Right To Breastfeed Act (Public Act 093-0942)**

A mother may breastfeed in any location, public or private, where the mother is otherwise authorized to be . . . A woman who has been denied the right to breastfeed by the owner or manager of a public or private location may bring a court action and may be awarded reasonable expense of litigation.

#### **Breastfeeding is Not Indecency**

Breastfeeding of infants is not an act of public indecency.

#### **Nursing Mothers in the Workplace Act (Public Act 92-0068)**

An employer shall provide reasonable unpaid break time each day to an employee who needs to express breast milk for her infant child, and make reasonable efforts to provide a location, other than a toilet stall, where an employee can express her milk in privacy.

#### **Exempts nursing mothers from jury service (Public Act 094-0391)**

The Jury Act was amended to include: "any mother nursing a child shall, upon request, be excused from jury service."



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