

# HB0156



## 102ND GENERAL ASSEMBLY

### State of Illinois

2021 and 2022

HB0156

Introduced 1/22/2021, by Rep. Barbara Hernandez and Margaret Croke

#### SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

105 ILCS 5/10-20.63  
105 ILCS 5/34-18.56

Amends the School Code. Provides that a school district shall make menstrual (rather than feminine) hygiene products available, at no cost to students, in each bathroom of every school building (rather than in bathrooms of school buildings). Effective immediately.

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FISCAL NOTE ACT  
MAY APPLY

STATE MANDATES  
ACT MAY REQUIRE  
REIMBURSEMENT

A BILL FOR

1 AN ACT concerning education.

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

4 Section 5. The School Code is amended by changing Sections  
5 10-20.63 and 34-18.56 as follows:

6 (105 ILCS 5/10-20.63)

7 Sec. 10-20.63. Availability of menstrual ~~feminine~~ hygiene  
8 products.

9 (a) The General Assembly finds the following:

10 (1) Menstrual ~~Feminine~~ hygiene products are a health  
11 care necessity and not an item that can be foregone or  
12 substituted easily.

13 (2) Access to menstrual ~~feminine~~ hygiene products is a  
14 serious and ongoing need in this State.

15 (3) When students do not have access to affordable  
16 menstrual ~~feminine~~ hygiene products, they may miss  
17 multiple days of school every month.

18 (4) When students have access to quality menstrual  
19 ~~feminine~~ hygiene products, they are able to continue with  
20 their daily lives with minimal interruption.

21 (b) In this Section:

22 "Menstrual hygiene products" ~~"Feminine hygiene products"~~

23 means tampons and sanitary napkins for use in connection with

1 the menstrual cycle.

2 "School building" means any facility (i) that is owned or  
3 leased by a school district or over which the school board has  
4 care, custody, and control and (ii) in which there is a public  
5 school serving students in grades 6 through 12.

6 (c) A school district shall make menstrual ~~feminine~~  
7 hygiene products available, at no cost to students, in each  
8 bathroom of every school building ~~the bathrooms of school~~  
9 ~~buildings~~.

10 (Source: P.A. 100-163, eff. 1-1-18; 100-863, eff. 8-14-18.)

11 (105 ILCS 5/34-18.56)

12 Sec. 34-18.56. Availability of menstrual ~~feminine~~ hygiene  
13 products.

14 (a) The General Assembly finds the following:

15 (1) Menstrual ~~Feminine~~ hygiene products are a health  
16 care necessity and not an item that can be foregone or  
17 substituted easily.

18 (2) Access to menstrual ~~feminine~~ hygiene products is a  
19 serious and ongoing need in this State.

20 (3) When students do not have access to affordable  
21 menstrual ~~feminine~~ hygiene products, they may miss  
22 multiple days of school every month.

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24 ~~feminine~~ hygiene products, they are able to continue with  
25 their daily lives with minimal interruption.

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3 means tampons and sanitary napkins for use in connection with  
4 the menstrual cycle.

5 "School building" means any facility (i) that is owned or  
6 leased by the school district or over which the board has care,  
7 custody, and control and (ii) in which there is a public school  
8 serving students in grades 6 through 12.

9 (c) The school district shall make menstrual ~~feminine~~  
10 hygiene products available, at no cost to students, in each  
11 bathroom of every school building ~~the bathrooms of school~~  
12 ~~buildings~~.

13 (Source: P.A. 100-163, eff. 1-1-18; 100-863, eff. 8-14-18.)

14 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon  
15 becoming law.