

HOUSE No. 4293

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, January 15, 2020.

The committee on Education to whom was referred the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 565) of Jeffrey N. Roy and others relative to access to feminine hygiene products in certain public schools, reports recommending that the accompanying bill (House, No. 4293) ought to pass.

For the committee,

ALICE HANLON PEISCH.

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**In the One Hundred and Ninety-First General Court
(2019-2020)**

An Act concerning disposable menstrual products in schools.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

1 Section 1. Chapter 71 of the Massachusetts General Laws is hereby amended by adding
2 at the end thereof the following section 68A:--

3 Section 2. For purposes of this section, “disposable menstrual products” means products
4 including, but not limited to, tampons and sanitary napkins for use in connection with the
5 menstrual cycle.

6 Section 3. All elementary and secondary public schools in the Commonwealth serving
7 students in any grade from grade six through grade twelve shall provide disposable menstrual
8 products in the restrooms of such school building or buildings. Such products shall be provided
9 at no charge to students. Such amount may be adjusted from time to time based on utilization.
10 School districts shall work to ensure that such products shall be available in a convenient manner
11 that does not stigmatize any student seeking such product.

12 Section 4. This act shall take effect on August 1, 2020.