

HOUSE No. 563

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Jeffrey N. Roy

To the Honorable Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts in General Court assembled:

The undersigned legislators and/or citizens respectfully petition for the adoption of the accompanying bill:

An Act concerning disposable menstrual products in schools.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
<i>Jeffrey N. Roy</i>	<i>10th Norfolk</i>	<i>1/4/2023</i>
<i>Mindy Domb</i>	<i>3rd Hampshire</i>	<i>1/9/2023</i>
<i>Natalie M. Blais</i>	<i>1st Franklin</i>	<i>1/19/2023</i>
<i>Carmine Lawrence Gentile</i>	<i>13th Middlesex</i>	<i>1/19/2023</i>
<i>Jack Patrick Lewis</i>	<i>7th Middlesex</i>	<i>1/23/2023</i>
<i>Sean Garballey</i>	<i>23rd Middlesex</i>	<i>1/23/2023</i>
<i>Margaret R. Scarsdale</i>	<i>1st Middlesex</i>	<i>2/6/2023</i>
<i>Vanna Howard</i>	<i>17th Middlesex</i>	<i>2/6/2023</i>
<i>Edward R. Philips</i>	<i>8th Norfolk</i>	<i>2/6/2023</i>
<i>Mathew J. Muratore</i>	<i>1st Plymouth</i>	<i>2/22/2023</i>
<i>Natalie M. Higgins</i>	<i>4th Worcester</i>	<i>3/21/2023</i>

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By Representative Roy of Franklin, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 563) of Jeffrey N. Roy and others relative to providing for the availability of disposable menstrual products in schools. Education.

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**In the One Hundred and Ninety-Third General Court
(2023-2024)**

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, 2023.