

**SENATE . . . . . No.**

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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

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PRESENTED BY:

***Patricia D. Jehlen***

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*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 to increase access to menstrual products in public buildings.

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PETITION OF:

NAME:

*Patricia D. Jehlen*

DISTRICT/ADDRESS:

*Second Middlesex*

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The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the One Hundred and Ninety-Fourth General Court  
(2025-2026)

An Act to increase access to menstrual products in public buildings.

*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 7C of the General Laws s hereby amended by inserting after  
2 section 72, the following section:-

3 Section 73.

4 a. As used in this chapter, the following words shall have the following meanings unless  
5 the context clearly requires otherwise:

6 “Menstruating individuals,” any person who menstruates.

7 “Disposable menstrual products,” products used by menstruating individuals including,  
8 but not limited to, sanitary napkins, tampons, and underwear liners.

9 b. The Division of Capital Asset Management and Maintenance shall maintain, in all real  
10 property owned, rented or otherwise occupied by public agencies of the Commonwealth, free  
11 disposable menstrual products in both public and private restrooms for use by menstruating  
12 individuals, whether they are employees or members of the general public. Such products shall

13 be provided at no charge. Such products shall be available in a convenient manner that does not  
14 stigmatize any persons seeking such products.

15 SECTION 2. Chapter 15A of the General Laws is hereby amended by inserting after  
16 section 27 the following section:-

17 Section 27A.

18 a. As used in this chapter, the following words shall have the following meanings unless  
19 the context clearly requires otherwise:

20 “Menstruating individuals,” any person who menstruates.

21 “Disposable menstrual products,” products used by menstruating individuals including,  
22 but not limited to, sanitary napkins, tampons, and underwear liners.

23 b. Each public institution of higher education shall provide disposable menstrual products  
24 to menstruating individuals in the restrooms of any such institution’s building at no cost. The  
25 disposable menstrual products shall be available in a convenient manner that does not stigmatize  
26 the individual seeking such products.