

# HOUSE BILL 457

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By: **Delegates Feldmark, Allen, Coley, Embry, Fair, Guzzone, Hill, Ivey, D. Jones, Lehman, Palakovich Carr, Ross, Ruth, Terrasa, and Ziegler**

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## CHAPTER \_\_\_\_\_

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Institutions of Higher Education – Provision of Menstrual Hygiene Products –**  
3 **Requirement**

4 FOR the purpose of requiring each institution of higher education that provides on-campus  
5 housing to provide, free of charge, menstrual hygiene products in ~~restrooms~~ student  
6 health centers at the institution; and generally relating to the provision of menstrual  
7 hygiene products at institutions of higher education.

8 BY adding to

9 Article – Education

10 Section 11–2001 and 11–2002 to be under the new subtitle “Subtitle 20.  
11 Miscellaneous Programs for Institutions of Higher Education”

12 Annotated Code of Maryland

13 (2022 Replacement Volume and 2025 Supplement)

14 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND,  
15 That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

16 **Article – Education**

17 **SUBTITLE 20. MISCELLANEOUS PROGRAMS FOR INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER**  
18 **EDUCATION.**

19 **11–2001.**

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EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.

Underlining indicates amendments to bill.

~~Strike out~~ indicates matter stricken from the bill by amendment or deleted from the law by amendment.



1 IN THIS SUBTITLE, “MENSTRUAL HYGIENE PRODUCTS” MEANS  
2 SIZE-APPROPRIATE TAMPONS OR SANITARY NAPKINS FOR USE IN CONNECTION  
3 WITH THE MENSTRUAL CYCLE.

4 11-2002.

5 ON OR BEFORE AUGUST 1, 2028, EACH INSTITUTION OF HIGHER EDUCATION  
6 THAT PROVIDES ON-CAMPUS HOUSING SHALL PROVIDE, FREE OF CHARGE,  
7 MENSTRUAL HYGIENE PRODUCTS IN ALL ~~RESTROOMS~~ STUDENT HEALTH CENTERS.

8 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July  
9 1, 2026.

Approved:

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Governor.

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Speaker of the House of Delegates.

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President of the Senate.