

HOUSE BILL 541

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Assigned to: Ways and Means

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Public Schools – Restocking Menstrual Hygiene Products – Requirement**

3 FOR the purpose of requiring each county board of education to ensure that each public
4 school regularly restocks dispensers in the women's restrooms at the school with
5 menstrual hygiene products; and generally relating to the provision of menstrual
6 hygiene products in public schools.

7 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

8 Article – Education

9 Section 7–449

10 Annotated Code of Maryland

11 (2025 Replacement Volume and 2025 Supplement)

12 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND,

13 That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

14 **Article – Education**

15 7–449.

16 (a) In this section, "menstrual hygiene products" means size-appropriate
17 tampons or sanitary napkins for use in connection with the menstrual cycle.

18 (b) Subject to subsection (c) of this section, each county board shall ensure that
19 each public school [provide]:

20 (1) **PROVIDE**, at no charge to students, menstrual hygiene products via
21 dispensers in the women's restrooms at the school; AND

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



3 (c) (1) [A] EACH public middle or high school shall install menstrual hygiene
4 product dispensers in:

5 (i) At least two women's restrooms on or before October 1, 2022; and
6 (ii) On or before August 1, 2025, all women's restrooms.

(2) [A] EACH public elementary school shall install menstrual hygiene product dispensers in at least one restroom on or before October 1, 2022.

15 (i) Subsection (c)(1)(i) and (2) of this section, on or before November
16 1, 2022; and

19 (3) For fiscal year 2023, the Governor shall include in the annual budget
20 bill an appropriation of \$500,000 to be used to reimburse each county board for the costs
21 reported to the Department under paragraph (2) of this subsection.

22 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July
23 1, 2026.