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It is precisely my own experience with my two daughters that has motivated me to work hard on this initiative as sponsored by Delegate Kirill Reznik.

Offering free menstrual care supplies knowing schools do regularly provide hand towels, seat covers, soap, toilet paper and condoms should be considered regular and normal. To offer menstrual products is now a matter of avoiding health risks, eliminating the stigma that surrounds a natural part of a woman's life, and for girls in school not having to miss class and/or depart from school because they have their period. Feminine hygiene products allow women and girls to carry out their daily responsibilities uninterrupted, and these products should always be easily accessible.

This is a valuable service to provide as should be in Maryland similar to state-wide laws already in place in CA, IL, NY, and NH.

Girls at public school facilities should have free access to these products.