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**Morgan State University Testimony  
Dr. David K. Wilson, President**

**House Bill 457 (Delegate Mark Feldmark, *et al.*)  
Institutions of Higher Education –  
Provision of Menstrual Hygiene Products –Requirement**

**February 24, 2026**

**Favorable**

Chair Ben Barnes, Vice Chair Ann Keiser, and members of the Appropriations Committee. We, at Morgan, thank you for the opportunity to share our position on House Bill 457. The summary of the Bill states the following: *Requiring each institution of higher education to provide, free of charge, menstrual hygiene products in all restrooms at the institution on or before August 1, 2028.*

Morgan State University is the Preeminent Public Urban Research University in Maryland, known for its excellence in teaching, intensive research, effective public service and community engagement. Morgan prepares diverse and competitive graduates for success in a global interdependent society.

Access to menstrual products, while not a strict Title IX requirement, is essential for college students' equal access to education, as the inability to manage menstruation can interrupt class attendance and campus participation. Providing these products is a basic health support that promotes menstrual equity and protects students' dignity, safety, and well-being.

Overall, ensuring readily available menstrual hygiene products helps remove barriers to learning, reduce stigma, and support student success.

**Morgan State University is in favor of House Bill 457.**

We appreciate the opportunity to work with the State in reaching a solution to support our students as we continue to grow the future and lead the world.

Sincerely,

David K. Wilson

President, Morgan State University