

H.715

Introduced by Representatives Greer of Bennington, Cina of Burlington,
Harple of Glover, Headrick of Burlington, Kleppner of
Burlington, Logan of Burlington, and McGill of Bridport

Referred to Committee on

Date:

Subject: Education; health and safety; menstrual products; postsecondary
schools

Statement of purpose of bill as introduced: This bill proposes to require
postsecondary schools located in Vermont to make menstrual products
available at no cost for each school within the jurisdiction of the board of the
postsecondary school in a majority of gender-neutral bathrooms and bathrooms
designated for female students.

An act relating to the provision of menstrual products in postsecondary
schools located in Vermont

It is hereby enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Vermont:

Sec. 1. 16 V.S.A. § 1432 is amended to read:

§ 1432. MENSTRUAL PRODUCTS

(a) By enacting this statute, the General Assembly intends to ensure that all
students attending a public school, ~~or~~ an approved independent school, or a

1 postsecondary school located in Vermont have access to menstrual products at
2 no cost and without having to request them.

3 (b)(1) A school district, ~~and~~ an approved independent school, and a
4 postsecondary school located in Vermont shall make menstrual products
5 available at no cost for each school within the district or under the jurisdiction
6 of the board of the independent school or postsecondary school in:

7 (A) a majority of gender-neutral bathrooms and bathrooms
8 designated for female students that are generally used by students who are
9 eight years of age or older; and

10 (B) the school nurse's office or school-operated health center.

11 (2) The school district, ~~or~~ independent school, or postsecondary school,
12 in consultation with the school nurse or other medical professional who
13 provides services to the school, shall determine which of the gender-neutral
14 bathrooms and bathrooms designated for female students to stock with
15 menstrual products and which brands to use.

16 (c) School districts, ~~and~~ approved independent schools, and postsecondary
17 schools located in Vermont shall bear the cost of supplying menstrual products
18 and may seek grants or partner with a nonprofit or community-based
19 organization to fulfill this obligation.

20 Sec. 2. EFFECTIVE DATE

21 This act shall take effect on July 1, 2026.