

1 S.323

2 Introduced by Senator Lyons

3 Referred to Committee on

4 Date:

5 Subject: Health; public health; menstrual hygiene; school districts

6 Statement of purpose of bill as introduced: This bill proposes to require school
7 districts to provide menstrual hygiene products in gender-neutral bathrooms
8 and bathrooms designated for females in high schools.

9 An act relating to the provision of menstrual hygiene products in schools

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

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

12 § 1432. MENSTRUAL HYGIENE PRODUCTS

13 (a) A school district shall make menstrual hygiene products available at no
14 cost in all gender-neutral bathrooms and bathrooms designated for females
15 located in public high schools. As used in this chapter, “menstrual hygiene
16 products” includes sanitary napkins and tampons.

17 (b) The school district shall bear the cost of supplying menstrual hygiene
18 products. A school district may seek grants or partner with a nonprofit or
19 community-based organization to fulfill this obligation.

1 Sec. 2. EFFECTIVE DATE

2 This act shall take effect on passage, and school districts shall comply with

3 the requirements of this act for the 2021–2022 school year and thereafter.