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A BILL

То	enact sections 341.261, 753.321, and 5120.631 of	1
	the Revised Code to require municipal and county	2
	correctional facilities and state correctional	3
	institutions housing female inmates to provide	4
	inmates experiencing a menstrual cycle with an	5
	adequate supply of feminine hygiene products.	6

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF OHIO:

Section 1. That sections 341.261, 753.321, and 5120.631 of	7
the Revised Code be enacted to read as follows:	8
Sec. 341.261. (A) As used in this section:	9
(1) "County correctional facility" means a county jail,	10
county workhouse, minimum security jail, joint city and county	11
workhouse, municipal-county correctional center, multicounty-	12
municipal correctional center, municipal-county jail or	13
workhouse, or multicounty-municipal jail or workhouse.	14
(2) "Feminine hygiene products" means tampons and sanitary	15
napkins that are used for the menstrual cycle.	16



(B) Each county correctional facility housing female	17
inmates shall provide inmates experiencing a menstrual cycle	18
with an adequate supply based on individualized need, in	19
perpetuity and without reprimand, of feminine hygiene products	20
in a variety of sizes at no cost to the inmates.	21
(C) Each county correctional facility housing female	22
inmates shall have a written policy and procedure in place that	
does all of the following:	24
(1) Protects inmates from the denial of feminine hygiene	25
products based on race, sex, gender identity, income status,	26
degree of charge, disability status, or any other type of	27
discriminatory identity;	28
(2) Establishes proper methods of storing, administering,	29
and disposing of feminine hygiene products;	30
(3) Establishes sanitary and safe procedures for hand	31
washing and cleaning of surfaces between restrooms and the	32
designated area for disposal bins.	33
(D) Each county correctional facility housing female	34
inmates shall provide a separate disposal container with a lid	35
in a safe, designated area for use by inmates experiencing a	36
menstrual cycle within the facility to dispose of used, soiled,	37
or damaged feminine hygiene products.	38
(E) No county correctional facility housing female inmates	39
shall deny inmates feminine hygiene products or the use of	40
showering or bathing facilities while experiencing menstruation,	41
regardless of whether the inmates are separated from the general	42
population for degree of charge or disciplinary reasons.	43
Sec. 753.321. (A) As used in this section:	44

(1) "Feminine hygiene products" means tampons and sanitary	45
napkins that are used for the menstrual cycle.	46
(2) "Municipal correctional facility" means a municipal	47
jail, municipal workhouse, minimum security jail, joint city and	48
county workhouse, municipal-county correctional center,	49
multicounty-municipal correctional center, municipal-county jail	50
or workhouse, or multicounty-municipal jail or workhouse.	51
(B) Each municipal correctional facility housing female	52
inmates shall provide inmates experiencing a menstrual cycle	53
with an adequate supply based on individualized need, in	54
perpetuity and without reprimand, of feminine hygiene products	5.5
in a variety of sizes at no cost to the inmates.	56
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degree of charge, disability status, or any other type of	62
discriminatory identity;	63
(2) Establishes proper methods of storing, administering,	64
and disposing of feminine hygiene products;	65
(3) Establishes sanitary and safe procedures for hand	66
washing and cleaning of surfaces between restrooms and the	67
designated area for disposal bins.	68
(D) Each municipal correctional facility housing female	69
inmates shall provide a separate disposal container with a lid	70
in a safe, designated area for use by inmates experiencing a	71
menstrual cycle within the facility to dispose of used, soiled,	72
or damaged feminine hygiene products.	73

(E) No municipal correctional facility housing female	74
inmates shall deny inmates feminine hygiene products or the use	75
of showering or bathing facilities while experiencing	76
menstruation, regardless of whether the inmates are separated	77
from the general population for degree of charge or disciplinary	78
reasons.	79
Sec. 5120.631. (A) As used in this section:	80
(1) "Feminine hygiene products" means tampons and sanitary	81
napkins that are used for the menstrual cycle.	82
(2) "State correctional institution" has the same meaning	83
as in section 2967.01 of the Revised Code.	84
(B) Each state correctional institution housing female	85
inmates shall provide inmates experiencing a menstrual cycle	86
with an adequate supply based on individualized need, in	87
perpetuity and without reprimand, of feminine hygiene products	88
in a variety of sizes at no cost to the inmates.	89
(C) Each state correctional institution housing female	90
inmates shall have a written policy and procedure in place that	91
does all of the following:	92
(1) Protects inmates from the denial of feminine hygiene	93
products based on race, sex, gender identity, income status,	94
degree of charge, disability status, or any other type of	95
discriminatory identity;	96
(2) Establishes proper methods of storing, administering,	97
and disposing of feminine hygiene products;	98
(3) Establishes sanitary and safe procedures for hand	99
washing and cleaning of surfaces between restrooms and the	100
designated area for disposal bins.	101

(D) Each state correctional institution housing female	102
inmates shall provide a separate disposal container with a lid	103
in a safe, designated area for use by inmates experiencing a	104
menstrual cycle within the institution to dispose of used,	105
soiled, or damaged feminine hygiene products.	106
(E) No state correctional institution housing female	107
inmates shall deny inmates feminine hygiene products or the use	108
of showering or bathing facilities while experiencing	109
menstruation, regardless of whether the inmates are separated	110
from the general population for degree of charge or disciplinary	111
reasons.	112