An Act To Ensure Comprehensive Access to Menstrual Products in All Maine's Jails, County Correctional Facilities and State Correctional and Detention Facilities

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows:

Sec. 1. 30-A MRSA §1565 is enacted to read:

§1565. Menstrual products

Any person who is incarcerated in a jail or other county correctional facility who menstruates has a right to comprehensive access to menstrual products, including, but not limited to, sanitary pads and tampons, provided and available at all times and without inconvenience or charge to the incarcerated person.

Sec. 2. 34-A MRSA §3031, sub-§§7 and 8, as enacted by PL 1983, c. 459, §6, are amended to read:

7. Area for personal effects. A reasonably secure area for the maintenance of permitted personal effects; and

8. Visitation. A reasonable opportunity to visit with relatives and friends, in accordance with departmental policies and institutional procedures, provided that the department may restrict or prohibit visits when the restriction or prohibition is necessary for the security of the institution; and

Sec. 3. 34-A MRSA §3031, sub-§9 is enacted to read:

9. Menstrual products. Comprehensive access to menstrual products, including, but not limited to, sanitary pads and tampons, provided and available at all times and without inconvenience or charge to a person who menstruates who resides in a correctional or detention facility.