

Department of Planning and Budget 2018 Fiscal Impact Statement

1. Bill Number: HB83

House of Origin Introduced Substitute Engrossed
Second House In Committee Substitute Enrolled

2. Patron: Kory

3. Committee: Militia, Police and Public Safety

4. Title: Feminine hygiene products including sanitary napkins, sanitary pads and tampons; no cost to female prisoners or inmates.

5. Summary: Provides that feminine hygiene products shall be provided to female prisoners and inmates at no cost.

6. Budget Amendment Necessary: No

7. Fiscal Impact Estimates: Preliminary. See item 8.

8. Fiscal Implications: Currently, the Department of Corrections (Department) supplies sanitary napkins at no charge to female inmates; however, tampons are available for sale through offender commissaries. According to the Department, it estimates that it would cost \$33,769 each fiscal year to provide tampons at no charge to all female inmates in their facilities. It is expected that the Department could absorb this cost within its existing budget. The proposed legislation may have an impact on local and regional jails that do not currently provide all of these feminine hygiene products at no charge to inmates in their custody.

9. Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected: Department of Corrections, Local and Regional jails

10. Technical Amendment Necessary: None

11. Other Comments: None