



Vote “YES” on H.B. 8: Menstrual Product Sales Tax Exemption Bill

- Under current Georgia law, menstrual hygiene products are taxed at the full 4%.
- Menstrual hygiene products should be tax exempt like prescriptions, non-prescription personal medical devices, hearing aids and prosthetics.
- These FDA Class 1 and Class 2 medical devices are unavoidable necessities. They are required for a woman’s physical health.
- There is no male equivalence.
- The average woman has her period for 2,535 days of her life, which means our state conducts a special 7 year tax assessed only on women.
- This is an education and economic issue. Women and girls across the state need these products in order to participate fully in school and work.
- Great financial disparity exists between men and women in this state:
 - Georgia women rank 43rd in the nation using 23 key indicators of living standards for women, including economic well being, social well being, and health and safety.¹
 - 1 in 5 Georgia women live in poverty (20% vs 12% of Georgia men)²
 - 2/3 of minimum wage jobs are held by women³
- The menstrual hygiene product state tax is discriminatory to women and should be eliminated.

¹Wallet Hub 2/28/19

²Kaiser Family Foundation

³National Women’s Law Center