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**STATEMENT OF ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT**  
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**Bill Number:** H. 3097 Prefiled on December 15, 2016  
**Author:** McKnight  
**Subject:** Feminine Hygiene Products in State Buildings  
**Requestor:** House Medical, Military, Public, and Municipal Affairs  
**RFA Analyst(s):** Kokolis  
**Impact Date:** January 11, 2017

**Estimate of Fiscal Impact**

	FY 2017-18	FY 2018-19
<b>State Expenditure</b>		
General Fund	Undetermined	Undetermined
Other and Federal	Undetermined	Undetermined
Full-Time Equivalent Position(s)	0.00	0.00
<b>State Revenue</b>		
General Fund	\$0	\$0
Other and Federal	\$0	\$0
<b>Local Expenditure</b>	\$0	\$0
<b>Local Revenue</b>	\$0	\$0

**Fiscal Impact Summary**

This bill would increase expenditures by an estimated \$2,873,500 in FY 2017-18 and a recurring \$798,000 each following year at a minimum. Total expenditures are undetermined because the additional cost of supplies that would be consumed by the general public cannot be estimated.

**Explanation of Fiscal Impact**

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**State Expenditure**

This bill requires the placement of free feminine hygiene products in each female restroom in every public building owned by the State, or one of its agencies, offices, departments, commissions, or institutions.

**Department of Administration.** The department indicates this bill would require non-recurring expenditures of \$2,075,500 in FY 2017-18 to purchase and install a feminine hygiene product dispenser in each of the estimated 2,965 female restrooms in state buildings. A dispenser costs \$550 to purchase and \$150 for installation for a total of \$700 each. The estimated number of female restrooms is based on the assumption that state-owned buildings have a women’s restroom for each floor of office building space. The cost to purchase and install feminine hygiene dispensers is based on current state contracts and labor rates.

The cost to stock the dispensers is undetermined, because the total level of use cannot be projected. During FY 2015-16, The Department of Juvenile Justice expended an average of \$158

on feminine hygiene products for each female in its Willow Lane facility on an average daily basis. If this figure is reduced to account for the difference between State office hours and twenty-four hour confinement at the Willow Lane facility, the average cost for each female would be 76 percent less, or approximately \$38 a year for each female. There are approximately 21,000 female state employees who are 50 years of age or younger. At \$38 a female, feminine hygiene supplies for female state employees could cost around \$798,000 a year. However, this estimate does not reflect consumption of feminine hygiene products by the general public using restrooms in state-owned buildings. Because data is unavailable to estimate public use, the total cost for supplies, and, therefore, for this legislation is undetermined.

**State Revenue**

N/A

**Local Expenditure**

N/A

**Local Revenue**

N/A



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