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STATEMENT OF ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT
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Bill Number:	H. 5230	Introduced on February 13, 2020
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Subject:	Correctional Facilities and Jails	
Requestor:	House Medical, Military, Public, and Municipal Affairs	
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Fiscal Impact Summary

This bill will have no expenditure impact on the General Fund, Other Funds, or Federal Funds of the Department of Corrections.

This bill will have an undetermined expenditure impact on local correctional and prison facilities. This bill requires all correctional facilities to supply free feminine hygiene products in all restrooms. Due to the wide variability in the holding capacity of local detention facilities, the variance in the number of females within a local detention facility population who would need such products, and the differences that exist in sentence times for those female inmates, the expenditure impact resulting from this bill on local correctional and prison facilities is undetermined.

Explanation of Fiscal Impact

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State Expenditure

This bill requires that every state correctional facility, local detention facility, jail, prison camp, and work camp provide feminine hygiene products at no charge.

Department of Corrections. The department currently supplies sanitary napkins to all female inmates needing such products and also stocks these items in some female/visitor restrooms. As of February 28, 2020, there were 1,318 incarcerated females at the state's female correctional facilities, at which 1,170 of the inmates were between the ages of 17 and 49. Menstruating inmates in this age range were offered access to sanitary napkins, but the number of inmates utilizing them in a given year is unknown. The department does not expect implementation of the bill to result in any significant additional cost since it is already providing sanitary napkins to both menstruating inmates and to some visitors upon request. Female inmates or visitors at female correctional facilities who desire to use feminine hygiene products other than sanitary napkins are responsible for paying for the additional costs associated with acquiring those items.

State Revenue

N/A

Local Expenditure

This bill will have an undetermined expenditure impact on local correctional and prison facilities. This bill requires these facilities to supply free feminine hygiene products in public

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Local Revenue

N/A



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