

Proponent Written Testimony for Senate Bill 435
Senate Committee on Assessment and Taxation
Star Parham, Private Citizen
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Dear Honorable Members of the Senate Committee on Assessment and Taxation. My name is Star Parham and I am a Sophomore at Fort Hays State University majoring in Psychology. I stand on the side of believing there is a need for no sales tax on period products, diapers, and incontinence products. As a young woman in college every penny counts and to have to pay high taxes for items for a bodily fluid I can't control can make things stressful. Considering I have to buy pads for the period itself then panty liners just to not have anxiety the last few days of bleeding through. That within itself is a very expensive task that I have to go through every month. I would think that with all that women have contributed to the world we would have access to affordable hygiene products that are crucial for us to live day to day. Nothing is more traumatizing than running out of products and not being able to afford more, because how can I be expected to show my face to the world when I'm uncomfortable. For these reasons I ask you to vote yes on SB 435. Thank you so much for reading my testimony. I hope to see this bill passed soon because there are women all over the world struggling to pay for these items and a break in taxes here will open doors across the world.

Thank you

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