

**I MINA'TRENTAI SAIS NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN**  
**2021 (FIRST) Regular Session**  
**VOTING RECORD**

Bill No. 97-36 (LS) As amended by the Committee on Air Transportation, Parks, Tourism, Higher Education, and the Advancement of Women, Youth and Senior Citizens.	Speaker Antonio R. Unpingco Legislative Session Hall Guam Congress Building December 15, 2021					
NAME	Aye	Nay	Not Voting/ Abstained	Out During Roll Call	Absent	Excused
Senator V. Anthony Ada	✓					
Senator Frank Blas Jr.	✓					
Senator Joanne Brown	✓					
Senator Christopher M. Dueñas	✓					
Senator James C. Moylan	✓					
Vice Speaker Tina Rose Muña Barnes					✓	✓
Senator Telena Cruz Nelson	✓					
Senator Sabina Flores Perez	✓					
Senator Clynton E. Ridgell	✓					
Senator Joe S. San Agustin	✓					
Senator Amanda L. Shelton	✓					
Senator Telo T. Taitague	✓					
Senator Jose "Pedo" Terlaje					✓	✓
Speaker Therese M. Terlaje	✓					
Senator Mary Camacho Torres	✓					

**TOTAL**

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**2**

Aye

Nay

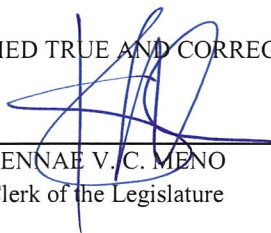
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CERTIFIED TRUE AND CORRECT:

  
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 RENNAE V.C. MENO  
 Clerk of the Legislature

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Introduced by:

Committee on Air Transportation, Parks,  
Tourism, Higher Education, and the  
Advancement of Women, Youth and  
Senior Citizens  
by request of *I Kongressun Manhoben*  
*Guåhan*, the Guam Youth Congress, in  
accordance with 2 GCA § 7102.

**AN ACT TO *ADD* A NEW § 6122 TO ARTICLE 1 OF  
CHAPTER 6, TITLE 17, GUAM CODE ANNOTATED,  
RELATIVE TO REQUIRING GUAM DEPARTMENT OF  
EDUCATION AND GUAM CHARTER SCHOOLS TO  
PROVIDE AND REGULARLY STOCK MENSTRUAL  
HYGIENE PRODUCTS IN ALL GUAM PUBLIC AND  
CHARTER SCHOOLS; TO REQUIRE THE UNIVERSITY  
OF GUAM AND THE GUAM COMMUNITY COLLEGE  
TO DO THE SAME; AND TO CITE THIS ACT AS THE  
*“PERIOD POVERTY ACT OF 2021.”***

1           **BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF GUAM:**

2           **Section 1. Legislative Findings and Intent.** *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* finds  
3 that period poverty is a systemic global problem that impacts millions of women  
4 around the world. The lack of access to basic menstrual hygiene products such as

1 tampons and sanitary napkins for individuals during their monthly menstrual cycle  
2 hampers their ability to participate in basic activities, including regular attendance  
3 in school and participation in sports. According to a survey done by the Bureau of  
4 Women’s Affairs in May 2019, thirty-three (33) responses indicated that women  
5 used baby diapers as substitutes for traditional period products. In addition, the  
6 survey found that out of the two hundred eighty-eight (288) participants, one  
7 hundred one (101) responded that they missed school due to the lack of access to  
8 period products.

9 *I Liheslatura* further finds that several states, including New York and  
10 California, require public school facilities that serve female students in the sixth (6<sup>th</sup>)  
11 through twelfth (12<sup>th</sup>) grades to regularly provide and stock menstruation products  
12 in the female restroom facilities; and, the products are readily available to the  
13 menstruating students without any fees or charges.

14 It is, therefore, the intent of *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* to address period poverty  
15 on Guam and to require Guam public and charter schools that serve students in the  
16 fifth (5<sup>th</sup>) through twelfth (12<sup>th</sup>) grades to provide and regularly stock menstrual  
17 hygiene products in the school nurse’s office. It is, further, the intent of *I*  
18 *Liheslaturan Guåhan* to require that the products be provided to menstruating  
19 students without any fees or charges.

20 **Section 2. Menstrual Hygiene Products in Guam Public and Charter**  
21 **Schools.** A new § 6122 is hereby *added* to Article 1 of Chapter 6, Title 17, Guam  
22 Code Annotated, to read:

23 **“§ 6122. Menstrual Hygiene Products in Guam Public and**  
24 **Charter Schools.**

25 All public and charter schools on Guam that serve students in grades  
26 five (5) through twelve (12) shall provide menstrual hygiene products, such  
27 as tampons and sanitary pads, in the nursing or counselor’s offices of such

1 schools; and, such products shall be provided to students at no charge to  
2 students.”

3 **Section 3. Menstrual Hygiene Products at the University of Guam and**  
4 **the Guam Community College.** The University of Guam and the Guam  
5 Community College shall provide menstrual hygiene products, such as tampons and  
6 sanitary pads, in their health services centers; and, such products shall be provided  
7 to students at no charge to students.

8 **Section 4. Effective Date.** This Act shall be effective upon enactment.

9 **Section 5. Severability.** If any provision of this Act or its application to any  
10 person or circumstance is found to be invalid or contrary to law, such invalidity shall  
11 not affect other provisions or applications of this Act that can be given effect without  
12 the invalid provision or application, and to this end the provisions of this Act are  
13 severable.