

Dear Rep. Hall and committee members.

I am writing to support House Bills 5267 and 4270. Thank you for taking up this important set of bills. I volunteer with an organization called I Support the Girls - Detroit, and I have over the years helped deliver tampons, pads, and other necessities to women and children in need in metro Detroit. Most people don't think about menstrual products as being hard to come by, but for too many women and teens, this basic need is not being met. The women and young ladies we help are facing crises like poverty, domestic abuse, being caught in the foster care system, or homelessness. In their circumstances, every penny counts. This tax is an unnecessary burden on Michigan women and families who are already working hard to make ends meet.

Those most impacted by this tax are women -- our sisters, daughters, and mothers. Women have already been hard-hit economically by the pandemic. These bills, with your support today, will move Michigan closer to a more fair tax system.

I urge all members of this committee to unanimously support these bills today. Thank you for your time and consideration. I am available for questions.

Clare Pfeiffer
313-986-3036 Grosse Pointe Woods, MI
48236