

1 HB399
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3 By Representative Wadsworth
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8 SYNOPSIS: Under existing law, the sheriff of a county
9 must provide certain items, at the expense of the
10 county, to prisoners who are unable to provide
11 those items for themselves.

12 This bill would further require the sheriff
13 to provide feminine hygiene products for all female
14 prisoners who are unable to provide them for
15 themselves under certain conditions.

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17 A BILL
18 TO BE ENTITLED
19 AN ACT

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21 To amend Section 14-6-19 of the Code of Alabama
22 1975, relating to items required to be provided to prisoners
23 by the sheriff; to further require the sheriff to provide
24 feminine hygiene products to female prisoners under certain
25 conditions.

26 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA:

1 Section 1. Section 14-6-19 of the Code of Alabama
2 1975, is amended to read as follows:

3 "§14-6-19.

4 "~~Necessary clothing and bedding must be furnished by~~
5 ~~the sheriff or jailer, at the expense of the county, to those~~
6 ~~prisoners who are unable to provide them for themselves, and~~
7 ~~also necessary medicines and medical attention to those who~~
8 ~~are sick or injured, when they are unable to provide them for~~
9 ~~themselves.~~ The sheriff of a county shall provide to those
10 prisoners who are unable to provide them for themselves, at
11 the expense of the county, all of the following:

12 "(1) Necessary clothing and bedding.

13 "(2) Necessary medicine and medical attention to
14 those prisoners who are sick or injured.

15 "(3) Feminine hygiene products to female prisoners,
16 as soon as is practicable, upon request by the female
17 prisoner."

18 Section 2. This act shall become effective
19 immediately following its passage and approval by the
20 Governor, or its otherwise becoming law.