

HB 483 -- SALES TAX RATES FOR PERSONAL CARE PRODUCTS

SPONSOR: Hausman

COMMITTEE ACTION: Voted "Do Pass" by the Standing Committee on Children and Families by a vote of 12 to 0.

This bill authorizes a sales tax exemption for all sales of diapers, incontinence products, feminine hygiene products, and vitamins or minerals used to support prenatal and menstrual phases.

This bill is similar to HB 2112, HB 1474, and HB 1579 (2024).

PROPONENTS: Supporters say that for the prenatal exemption, this bill is needed to ensure the health and safety of both mom and baby through the pregnancy. Others who testified on the bill in support expressed wishes that the bill would go farther and authorize additional exemptions.

Testifying in person for the bill were Representative Hausman; St Louis Area Diaper Bank; Arnie C. Dienoff; Missouri Catholic Conference; Haleon; American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists; and Kids Win Missouri.

OPPONENTS: There was no opposition voiced to the committee.

Written testimony has been submitted for this bill. The full written testimony and witnesses testifying online can be found under Testimony on the bill page on the House website.