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- 3 By Representatives Hollis and 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 and all prisoners in a |
| 12 | state penitentiary must be provided clothing during |
| 13 | their imprisonment. |
| 14 | This bill would further require the sheriff |
| 15 | and the Department of Corrections to provide |
| 16 | feminine hygiene products for all female prisoners |
| 17 | who are unable to provide them for themselves under |
| 18 | certain conditions. |
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| 20 | A BILL |
| 21 | TO BE ENTITLED |
| 22 | AN ACT |
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| 24 | To amend Sections 14-3-44 and 14-6-19 of the Code of |
| 25 | Alabama 1975, relating to items required to be provided to |
| 26 | prisoners in a county jail or a state penitentiary; to further |
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| 4 | Section 2. This act shall become effective |
| 5 | immediately following its passage and approval by the |
| 6 | Governor, or its otherwise becoming law. |