

HOUSE No. 4579

By Mr. Forman of Plymouth, petition of Peter Forman and Edward P. Kirby relative to the distribution and sale of feminine hygiene devices having applicators made from substances which are not biodegradable. Natural Resources and Agriculture.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Eighty-Nine.

AN ACT PROTECTING OCEAN RESOURCES FROM CERTAIN PRODUCTS WHICH ARE NOT BIODEGRADABLE.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

1 SECTION 1. Notwithstanding any general or special law, rule
2 or regulation to the contrary, the distribution and sale of feminine
3 hygiene devices, generally known as tampons, having applicators
4 made from substances which are not biodegradable is hereby
5 prohibited.

1 SECTION 2. Any person distributing or selling such devices
2 without biodegradable applicators shall be subject to a fine of not
3 more than two hundred dollars for each such sale or distribution.

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