



MASSACHUSETTS COMMISSION ON THE STATUS OF WOMEN

PLYMOUTH COUNTY COMMISSION ON THE STATUS OF WOMEN AND GIRLS LEGISLATIVE PRIORITIES 2023-2024

An Act relative to birthing justice in the Commonwealth (S. 1415)

Lead Sponsors: Sen Miranda

Coalition: Bay State Birth Coalition

Status: Referred to Joint Committee on Public Health

This bill introduces a framework to improve maternal health outcomes and advance recommendations from the Special Commission on Racial Inequities in Maternal Health, including better integrating midwifery care into our maternal health care system to improve access to out-of-hospital birthing options and reducing financial and administrative barriers to the creation of free-standing birth centers.

An Act Supporting Parents Running for Public Office (S. 348/H. 590)

Lead Sponsors: Sen. Patricia Jehlen and Reps. Mike Connolly and Joan Meschino

Coalition:

Status: Referred to the Joint Committee on Election Laws

This bill would allow candidates running for public office can use their campaign funds for their childcare needs.

An Act to increase access to disposable menstrual products (IAM Bill) (S. 1381/H. 534)

Lead Sponsors: Rep Jay D. Livingstone, Rep Christine P. Barber & Sen Jehlen

Coalition: Massachusetts Menstrual Equity

Status: Referred to Joint Committee on Public Health

This bill would provide access to free menstrual products to all menstruating individuals in schools, shelters & prisons.