



GSA Bill #8

A bill authorizing GSA spending for UNL-wide efforts for gender equity and menstrual health equity.

1 WHEREAS, the current efforts of the University of Nebraska at Lincoln (UNL)<sup>i</sup>, the  
2 University of Nebraska System<sup>ii</sup>, and our partners at other BIG10 institutions<sup>iii</sup> for gender equity  
3 and sexual violence prevention, in the year following the 50th anniversary of the Title IX  
4 enactment, require strengthening<sup>iv</sup>; and,  
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6 WHEREAS, we acknowledge the existence and progress in creating campus-wide  
7 gender-neutral restrooms<sup>v</sup> equipped to reach the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1999  
8 standards<sup>vi</sup>.  
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10 THEREFORE, BE IT ENACTED, we call the UNL community to deepen efforts for  
11 gender equity and sexual violence prevention; and,  
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13 THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, we call the UNL community to deepen  
14 efforts for gender equity and sexual violence prevention; and,  
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16 THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, we call for campus-wide access to  
17 menstrual care products, especially in the time of economic struggle the United States finds  
18 itself, having in mind the graduate student population’s vulnerability to economic hurdles and  
19 inflation, with gender minorities in a position of intersectional precarity; and,  
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21 THEREFORE, BE IT FINALLY ENACTED, the GSA authorizes Diversity &  
22 Inclusion Committee to spend up to \$500.00 from Diversity & Inclusion for the purchase of  
23 menstrual health/hygiene kits that will be accessible campus-wide within graduate students’  
24 lounges and within gender-neutral restrooms.

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Presidential Signature			DATE 3/7/2023



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<sup>i</sup> Chancellor's Commission on the Status of Gender and Sexual Identities. (n.d.). University of Nebraska-Lincoln. <https://ccsgsi.unl.edu/> ; Chancellor's Commission on the Status of Women. (n.d.). University of Nebraska-Lincoln. <https://ccsw.unl.edu/> ; Current Efforts | Chancellor's Commission on the Status of Women. (n.d.). University of Nebraska-Lincoln. <https://ccsw.unl.edu/current-efforts> .

<sup>ii</sup> Gender Diversity. (n.d.). University of Nebraska System. <https://nebraska.edu/offices-policies/diversity-access-inclusion/gender-diversity> .

<sup>iii</sup> Tegtmeyer, J. M. (2021). Five Decades of Gender Equity in College Sports: Contrasting Cases of Title IX Compliance at Big-Time, Big Ten Programs. Timm, A. (2022, February 28). Big Ten, NCAA exploring new steps to further gender equity. News Nebraska. <https://nebraskanewsservice.net/sports/big-ten-ncaa-exploring-new-steps-to-further-gender-equity/>

<sup>iv</sup> The White House (2022, June 23). Statement by President Joe Biden on the 50th Anniversary of Title IX. The White House. <https://www.whitehouse.gov/briefing-room/statements-releases/2022/06/23/statement-by-president-joe-biden-on-the-50th-anniversary-of-title-ix/> .

The U.S. Department of Education Releases Proposed Changes to Title IX Regulations, Invites Public Comment. (2022, June 23). U.S. Department of Education. <https://www.ed.gov/news/press-releases/us-department-education-releases-proposed-changes-title-ix-regulations-invites-public-comment> .

<sup>v</sup> Gender Inclusive Restrooms Map. (n.d.). University of Nebraska-Lincoln. <https://unl5.maps.arcgis.com/apps/webappviewer/index.html?id=d35a8c3dc697404da0a7978475d7148d> .

<sup>vi</sup> Americans With Disabilities Act of 1990, Pub. L. No. 101-336, 104 Stat. 328 (1990).