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SYNOPSIS

Requires school districts to provide feminine hygiene products in certain public schools and requires State to pay costs.

CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT

As introduced.



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1 AN ACT concerning the provision of feminine hygiene products in
2 public schools and supplementing chapter 33 of Title 18A of the
3 New Jersey Statutes.

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5 **BE IT ENACTED** *by the Senate and General Assembly of the State*
6 *of New Jersey:*

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8 1. a. As used in this section, “feminine hygiene products”
9 mean tampons and sanitary napkins for use in connection with the
10 menstrual cycle.

11 b. A school district shall ensure that students in each school
12 educating students in grades 6 through 12, or any combination
13 thereof, have direct access to feminine hygiene products in all of the
14 school bathrooms free of charge.

15 c. Any costs incurred by a school district in providing an
16 adequate supply of feminine hygiene products to meet the needs of
17 its students shall be borne by the State.

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19 2. This act shall take effect in the first full school year
20 following the date of enactment.

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STATEMENT

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25 This bill requires school districts to ensure that students in each
26 school educating students in grades 6 through 12, or any
27 combination thereof, have direct access to feminine hygiene
28 products in all of the school bathrooms free of charge. Any costs
29 incurred by a school district in complying with the provisions of
30 this bill will be borne by the State. For purposes of this bill,
31 “feminine hygiene products” mean tampons and sanitary napkins.

