

By Senator Book

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1                   A bill to be entitled  
2       An act relating to student health services; providing  
3       a short title; creating s. 1006.064, F.S.; defining  
4       the terms "feminine hygiene products" and "school  
5       building"; requiring school districts to make feminine  
6       hygiene products available, at no charge, in female  
7       restroom facilities of public school buildings;  
8       providing applicability; providing an effective date.

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10       WHEREAS, feminine hygiene products are a health care  
11       necessity and are not items that can be foregone or substituted  
12       easily, and

13       WHEREAS, access to feminine hygiene products is a serious  
14       and ongoing need in this state, and

15       WHEREAS, when students do not have access to affordable  
16       feminine hygiene products, they may miss multiple days of school  
17       every month, and

18       WHEREAS, when students have access to quality feminine  
19       hygiene products, they are able to continue with their daily  
20       lives with minimal interruption, NOW, THEREFORE,

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22       Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

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24       Section 1. This act may be cited as the "Learning with  
25       Dignity Act."

26       Section 2. Section 1006.064, Florida Statutes, is created  
27       to read:

28       1006.064 Availability of feminine hygiene products.-

29       (1) As used in this section, the term:

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30 (a) "Feminine hygiene products" means tampons and sanitary  
31 napkins for use in connection with the menstrual cycle.

32 (b) "School building" means any facility:

33 1. That is owned or leased by a school district or over  
34 which the school board has care, custody, and control; and

35 2. In which there is a public school serving students in  
36 grades K-12.

37 (2) A school district shall make feminine hygiene products  
38 available, at no charge, in female restroom facilities of school  
39 buildings.

40 (3) This section applies to charter schools pursuant to s.  
41 1002.33(16)(a)5.

42 Section 3. This act shall take effect July 1, 2020.