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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 reported by the Senate Education Committee on February 13, 2020, with amendments.



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AN ACT concerning the provision of feminine hygiene products in 1 2 public schools and supplementing chapter 33 of Title 18A of the 3 New Jersey Statutes. 4 5 **BE IT ENACTED** by the Senate and General Assembly of the State of New Jersey: 6 7 1. a. As used in this section, "feminine hygiene products" 8 mean tampons and sanitary napkins for use in connection with the 9 menstrual cycle. 10 b. A school district shall ensure that students in each school 11 12 educating students in grades 6 through 12, or any combination thereof ¹[, in which 40 percent or more of its students reside in 13 14 households with a household income at or below the most recent federal poverty guidelines multiplied by 1.85¹, have direct access 15 to feminine hygiene products in ¹[at least 50 percent] \underline{all}^1 of the 16 school bathrooms free of charge. 17 Any costs incurred by a school district in providing an 18 c. adequate supply of feminine hygiene products to meet the needs of 19 its students shall be borne by the State. 20 21 22 2. This act shall take effect in the first full school year 23 following the date of enactment.

EXPLANATION – Matter enclosed in **bold-faced brackets** [thus] in the above bill is not enacted and is intended to be omitted in the law.

Matter underlined <u>thus</u> is new matter.

Matter enclosed in superscript numerals has been adopted as follows: ¹Senate SED committee amendments adopted February 13, 2020.