

HB 75

2021

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

26 Dignity Act."

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

29 1006.064 Availability of feminine hygiene products.-

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

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

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

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

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

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

41 (3) This section applies to charter schools pursuant to s.  
42 1002.33(16)(a)5.

43 Section 3. This act shall take effect July 1, 2021.