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A bill to be entitled

An act relating to menstrual hygiene products in public schools; providing a short title; creating s. 1006.064, F.S.; defining the term "menstrual hygiene products"; requiring school districts to make menstrual hygiene products available, at no charge, in each school nurse's office or other physical school facility for health services; providing applicability; providing an effective date.

WHEREAS, menstrual hygiene products are a health care necessity and are not items that can be foregone or substituted easily, and

WHEREAS, access to menstrual hygiene products is a serious and ongoing need in this state, and

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

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

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

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

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26	Dignity Act."
27	Section 2. Section 1006.064, Florida Statutes, is created
28	to read:
29	1006.064 Availability of menstrual hygiene products.—
30	(1) As used in this section, the term "menstrual hygiene
31	products" means tampons and sanitary napkins for use in
32	connection with the menstrual cycle.
33	(2) A school district shall make menstrual hygiene
34	products available, at no charge, in each school nurse's office
35	or other physical school facility for health services.
36	(3) This section applies to charter schools pursuant to s.
37	1002.33(16)(a)5.
38	Section 3. This act shall take effect July 1, 2022.