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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2022

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RELATING TO EDUCATION - HEALTH AND SAFETY OF PUPILS

Introduced By: Senators Mack, DiMario, Calkin, Mendes, Valverde, F Lombardi,  
Sosnowski, Lawson, Anderson, and Bell

Date Introduced: February 15, 2022

Referred To: Senate Education

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

1           SECTION 1. Chapter 16-21 of the General Laws entitled "Health and Safety of Pupils" is  
2 hereby amended by adding thereto the following section:

3           **16-21-40. Availability of feminine hygiene products in universities and colleges.**

4           (a) By the beginning of the 2023-2024 school year, all universities and colleges whether  
5 public or privately run shall make feminine hygiene products available as follows:

6           (1) Feminine products shall be available in all gender-neutral bathrooms and any bathroom  
7 designated for females;

8           (2) Feminine products shall be available at no cost to students.

9           (b) For the purposes of this section, "feminine hygiene products" includes tampons and  
10 sanitary napkins.

11          SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon passage.

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EXPLANATION  
BY THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL  
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- 1           This act would require feminine hygiene products be provided in all universities and
- 2 colleges at no cost to students.
- 3           This act would take effect upon passage.

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