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**Subject:** Free Menstrual Products in Student Restrooms

SCHOOLS

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Proposed legislation requires each public school governing authority, including charter schools, to make menstrual products available in easily accessible locations at no cost to students no later than the beginning of the 2023-2024 school year. Proposed legislation is subject to appropriation.

EXPENDITURES	2022-23	2023-24	2024-25	2025-26	2026-27	5 -YEAR TOTAL
State Gen. Fd.	\$0	INCREASE	INCREASE	INCREASE	INCREASE	\$0
Agy. Self-Gen.	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Ded./Other	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Local Funds	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>
Annual Total	\$0					\$0
REVENUES	2022-23	2023-24	2024-25	2025-26	2026-27	<u>5 -YEAR TOTAL</u>
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Annual Total	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0

## **EXPENDITURE EXPLANATION**

There will be increased state costs to provide funding to local school districts and charter schools for the provision of menstrual products at no cost to students; however, these costs are indeterminable and subject to appropriation. While some school districts may keep menstrual products available in an office, is unknown how many schools currently provide dispensers in student restrooms and other easily accessible areas.

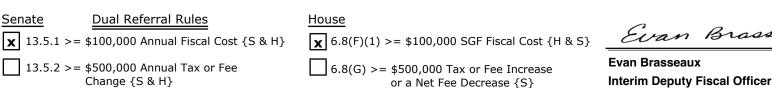
Costs will be greatest in the first year due to the purchase and installation of dispensers to be mounted in restrooms or other easily accessible areas. A dispenser that dispenses both tampons and sanitary napkins can be purchased for approximately \$300. A 500-count case of tampons packaged for dispensers can be purchased for approximately \$70, and a 250-count case of sanitary napkins can be purchased for approximately \$50. However, prices will vary by brand and supplier. Wholesale purchase prices may be lower.

For illustrative purposes, one dispenser with a capacity of 23 tampons and 14 sanitary napkins filled once daily for 180 school days would require approximately 4,100 tampons and 2,500 sanitary napkins, costing approximately \$1,100 per dispenser per year. The number of dispensers needed will vary by school.

For illustrative purposes, approximately 850 public schools in Louisiana serve students in sixth grade or higher. Providing 850 schools with one dispenser each would cost \$255,000 for the first year. Filling each of these dispensers once per day would cost \$935,000 per year. However, the actual cost will vary depending upon the number of schools providing the products, the number of products utilized at each school, and the price at which the products are purchased.

## **REVENUE EXPLANATION**

There is no anticipated direct material effect on governmental revenues as a result of this measure.



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