

151st GENERAL ASSEMBLY FISCAL NOTE

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HOUSE BILL NO. 20

Representative Longhurst

AN ACT TO AMEND TITLE 14 OF THE DELAWARE CODE RELATING TO THE PROVISION OF FREE FEMININE HYGIENE PRODUCTS.

Assumptions:

- 1. This Act becomes effective upon signature by the Governor.
- 2. This Act requires that by the 2020-2021 school year, all public and charter schools must provide free feminine hygiene products in 50% of the bathrooms used by students in grades 6-12 who can have a menstrual cycle.
- 3. Per the Delaware Department of Education's September 30, 2019, enrollment count, there are 37,385 students in grades 6-12 in public and charter schools who can have a menstrual cycle.
- 4. Per building design requirements, one toilet fixture is required per 50 students (37,385 students / 50 = 748 fixtures). Using an average of three fixtures per bathroom (748 fixtures / 3 fixtures = 250 bathrooms) and applying a requirement of 50%, there are a minimum of 125 bathrooms that will need to provide free feminine hygiene products.
- 5. The average cost of a feminine hygiene product dispenser is \$239. The total one-time cost of these dispensers is assumed at \$29,875 (125 dispensers x \$239).
- 6. Each feminine hygiene product dispenser holds a minimum of 15 sanitary napkins and 22 tampons. Therefore, a minimum of 1,875 sanitary napkins and 2,750 tampons will be required to fill all 125 dispensers.
- 7. It is assumed these dispensers must be 100% refilled daily during the school year (188 days), which will require a minimum of 352,500 sanitary napkins and 517,000 tampons annually.
 - a. A minimum of 1,224 cases of sanitary napkins (288 per case) and 1,034 cases of tampons (500 per case) will be required annually.
- 8. The total annual cost of sanitary napkins is \$23,255 (at \$19 per case) and the total annual cost of tampons is estimated at \$53,768 (at \$52 per case).
- 9. The estimated costs associated with the requirements of this Act are assumed to be borne by the applicable school district or charter school's existing budget.

Cost:

	On-Going Costs (Local Funds)	One-Time Costs (Local Funds)
Fiscal Year 2022:	\$77,023	\$29,875
Fiscal Year 2023:	\$77,023	
Fiscal Year 2024:	\$77,023	

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