House Bill 3294

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SUMMARY

The following summary is not prepared by the sponsors of the measure and is not a part of the body thereof subject to consideration by the Legislative Assembly. It is an editor's brief statement of the essential features of the measure as introduced.

Requires every public education provider to provide certain feminine hygiene products at no cost to students. Phases in requirement.

Declares emergency, effective July 1, 2021.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

Relating to feminine hygiene products in public schools; and declaring an emergency.

Be It Enacted by the People of the State of Oregon:

SECTION 1. (1) As used in this section:

(a) “Female student bathroom” means a bathroom that is accessible by the female students of a public education provider, including gender-neutral bathrooms.

(b) “Public education provider” means:

(A) A school district;

(B) A public charter school;

(C) An education service district;

(D) A community college; or

(E) A public university listed in ORS 352.002.

(c) “Public school building” means a building used by a public education provider to provide educational services to students.

(2)(a) Each public education provider shall ensure that both tampons and sanitary pads are available at no cost to students through dispensers located in at least two female student bathrooms of every public school building.

(b) Notwithstanding paragraph (a) of this subsection, if a public school building has only one female student bathroom, both tampons and sanitary pads must be available at no cost to students through dispensers located in that bathroom.

(3) The State Board of Education and the Higher Education Coordinating Commission shall adopt any rules necessary for the administration of this section.

SECTION 2. Section 1 of this 2021 Act is amended to read:

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(A) A school district;

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NOTE: Matter in boldfaced type in an amended section is new; matter [italic and bracketed] is existing law to be omitted. New sections are in boldfaced type.

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(D) A community college; or

(E) A public university listed in ORS 352.002.

(c) “Public school building” means a building used by a public education provider to provide educational services to students.

[(2)(a) (2)] Each public education provider shall ensure that both tampons and sanitary pads are available at no cost to students through dispensers located in [at least two] every female student bathroom of every public school building.

[(b) Notwithstanding paragraph (a) of this subsection, if a public school building has only one female student bathroom, both tampons and sanitary pads must be available at no cost to students through dispensers located in that bathroom.]

(3) The State Board of Education and the Higher Education Coordinating Commission shall adopt any rules necessary for the administration of this section.

SECTION 3. The amendments to section 1 of this 2021 Act by section 2 of this 2021 Act become operative on July 1, 2022.

SECTION 4. This 2021 Act being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health and safety, an emergency is declared to exist, and this 2021 Act takes effect July 1, 2021.