

## HOUSE BILL No. 2727

By Committee on K-12 Education Budget

Requested by Representative McDonald on behalf of Honor Moon

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1 AN ACT concerning education; requiring public schools and public  
2 postsecondary educational institutions to make menstrual products  
3 available at no cost to students; establishing a state grant program to  
4 reimburse schools and institutions for such costs.

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6 *Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Kansas:*

7 Section 1. (a) As used in this section:

8 (1) "Charter school" means the same as defined in K.S.A. 72-4206,  
9 and amendments thereto.

10 (2) "Menstrual products" means tampons and sanitary napkins for use  
11 in connection with the menstrual cycle that conform with applicable  
12 industry standards.

13 (3) "Postsecondary educational institution" means the same as  
14 defined in K.S.A. 74-3201b, and amendments thereto.

15 (4) "School district" means the same as defined in K.S.A. 72-5132,  
16 and amendments thereto.

17 (b) Each school of a school district or charter school in this state with  
18 grades five and below shall make menstrual products available, at no cost  
19 to students, in at least one neutral location that is easily accessible to all  
20 students and that does not stigmatize any student seeking such products,  
21 such as a school nurse's office or administrative office, as appropriate.

22 (c) Each school of a school district or charter school in this state with  
23 any of the grades six through 12 shall make menstrual products available  
24 in easily accessible locations, at no cost to students, that does not  
25 stigmatize any student seeking such products, including in restrooms.  
26 Menstrual products shall be made available in all female, gender-neutral  
27 and standalone handicapped restrooms accessed by students in any of the  
28 grades six through 12, as well as a neutral location, such as a school  
29 nurse's office or administrative office, as appropriate.

30 (d) Each postsecondary educational institution in this state shall make  
31 menstrual products available, at no cost to students, at no fewer than one  
32 neutral and accessible location to all students that does not stigmatize any  
33 student seeking such products.

34 (1) For purposes of this section, a location's accessibility shall be  
35 determined by considering all of, but not limiting consideration to, the

1 following factors:

- 2 (A) Hours of operation, relative to hours that students are on campus;
- 3 (B) proximity to high-traffic areas on campus;
- 4 (C) accessibility by students of all genders and regardless of physical
- 5 ability;
- 6 (D) privacy, including whether accessing products would require
- 7 interaction with staff or other students; and
- 8 (E) safety.

9 (2) Locations described in this subsection may include student  
10 centers, libraries, wellness or health centers, pantries and study rooms.

11 (3) Each postsecondary educational institution shall post a notice  
12 regarding the requirements of this section in a prominent and conspicuous  
13 location in all women's restrooms, standalone handicapped restrooms and  
14 gender-neutral restrooms and in at least one men's restroom.

15 (e) (1) Sufficient moneys shall be appropriated by the legislature to  
16 the state department of education and to the state board of regents for the  
17 purpose of providing menstrual products at no cost to students in each  
18 school of a school district, charter school and postsecondary educational  
19 institution.

20 (2) Subject to appropriations, the state department of education shall  
21 reimburse each school district for actual costs incurred in implementing  
22 this act.

23 (3) Subject to appropriations, the state board of regents shall  
24 reimburse each postsecondary educational institution for actual costs  
25 incurred in implementing this act.

26 (4) Actual costs incurred may only include the following:

- 27 (A) Menstrual products;
- 28 (B) menstrual product dispensers; and
- 29 (C) menstrual product dispenser installation costs.

30 (f) (1) The state board of education shall adopt any rules and  
31 regulations necessary for the administration of this act. Such rules and  
32 regulations shall provide for an application process for school districts to  
33 be reimbursed for actual costs incurred.

34 (2) The state board of regents shall adopt any rules and regulations  
35 necessary for the administration of this act. Such rules and regulations  
36 shall provide for an application process for postsecondary educational  
37 institutions to be reimbursed for costs incurred.

38 (g) (1) On or before June 1 of each year, each school district and  
39 postsecondary educational institution shall produce a report containing:

- 40 (A) The number of menstrual products purchased that year;
- 41 (B) the number of menstrual products actually distributed to students  
42 that year; and
- 43 (C) any grievances or other complaints about lack of access to or

1 quality of menstrual products.

2 (2) Such reports shall be made available for public inspection.

3 Sec. 2. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its

4 publication in the statute book.