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A BILL

IN THE COUNCIL FOR THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

To require that District schools install and maintain dispensers for period products that are free for use in women’s and gender-neutral bathrooms.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this act may be cited as the “Expanding Student Access to Period Products Act of 2020”.

Sec. 2. Definitions.

(a) “Local education agency” means the District of Columbia Public Schools system, any individual public charter school, or any group of public charter schools operating under a single charter.

(b) “Period products” means tampons and sanitary pads.

Sec. 3. Implementation.

(a)(1) Within one year of the applicability date of this act, each local education agency (“LEA”) shall install dispensers for period products in:

(A) All women’s and gender-neutral bathrooms in each middle school and high school; and

(B) One women’s or gender-neutral bathroom in each elementary school.

(2) The period products in each dispenser shall be free of cost.

28 (b) An LEA shall ensure that each dispenser is kept stocked with sufficient period
29 products during the academic year and any summer programming offered on its campus.

30 Sec. 4. Fiscal impact statement.

31 The Council adopts the fiscal impact statement in the committee report as the fiscal
32 impact statement required by section 4a of the General Legislative Procedures Act of 1975,
33 approved October 16, 2006 (120 Stat. 2038; D.C. Official Code § 1-301.47a).

34 Sec. 5. Effective date.

35 This act shall take effect following approval by the Mayor (or in the event of veto by the
36 Mayor, action by the Council to override the veto), a 30-day period of Congressional review as
37 provided in section 602(c)(1) of the District of Columbia Home Rule Act, approved December
38 24, 1973 (87 Stat. 813; D.C. Official Code § 1-206.02(c)(1)), and publication in the District of
39 Columbia Register.