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**SENATE BILL 5070**

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**By** Senator Rivers

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1 AN ACT Relating to menstrual hygiene products in school and  
2 postsecondary institution bathrooms; adding a new section to chapter  
3 28A.210 RCW; and adding a new chapter to Title 28B RCW.

4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:

5 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** A new section is added to chapter 28A.210  
6 RCW to read as follows:

7 (1) By the beginning of the 2022-23 school year, school districts  
8 and private schools must make menstrual hygiene products available at  
9 no cost in all gender-neutral bathrooms and bathrooms designated for  
10 female students located in schools that serve students in any of  
11 grades six through twelve.

12 (2) Menstrual hygiene products must include sanitary napkins,  
13 tampons, or similar items.

14 (3) School districts and private schools must bear the cost of  
15 supplying menstrual hygiene products. School districts and private  
16 schools may seek grants or partner with nonprofit or community-based  
17 organizations to fulfill this obligation.

18 (4) This section governs school operation and management under  
19 RCW 28A.710.040 and 28A.715.020 and applies to charter schools  
20 established under chapter 28A.710 RCW and state-tribal compact  
21 schools established under chapter 28A.715 RCW.

1        NEW SECTION.    **Sec. 2.**    (1) By the beginning of the 2022-23  
2 academic year, institutions of higher education as defined in RCW  
3 28B.92.030 must make menstrual hygiene products available at no cost  
4 in all gender-neutral bathrooms and bathrooms designated for female  
5 students.

6        (2) Menstrual hygiene products must include sanitary napkins,  
7 tampons, or similar items.

8        (3) Institutions of higher education must bear the cost of  
9 supplying menstrual hygiene products. Institutions of higher  
10 education may seek grants or partner with nonprofit or community-  
11 based organizations to fulfill this obligation.

12        NEW SECTION.    **Sec. 3.**    Section 2 of this act constitutes a new  
13 chapter in Title 28B RCW.

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