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SENATE BILL DRS35256-MTa-108

Short Title: End Menstrual Poverty Act.

(Public)

Sponsors: Senators Murdock and Mayfield (Primary Sponsors).

Referred to:

1 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
2 AN ACT TO PROVIDE FEMININE HYGIENE PRODUCTS TO STUDENTS IN LOCAL
3 SCHOOL ADMINISTRATIVE UNITS AND TO INCREASE ACCESS TO FEMININE
4 HYGIENE PRODUCTS IN NORTH CAROLINA DIAPER BANKS.

5 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

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7 **PART I. FEMININE HYGIENE PRODUCTS FOR STUDENTS IN LOCAL SCHOOL**
8 **ADMINISTRATIVE UNITS**

9 **SECTION 1.** There is appropriated from the General Fund to the Department of
10 Public Instruction the sum of two hundred fifty thousand dollars (\$250,000) in nonrecurring
11 funds for the 2021-2022 fiscal year to provide grants to local school administrative units to
12 provide feminine hygiene products for students, as follows:

- 13 (1) Grants shall be awarded to any local school administrative unit that applies
14 for a grant by August 1, 2021.
15 (2) Grants shall be allocated to local school administrative units on the basis of
16 average daily membership of the unit.
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18 **PART II. INCREASE ACCESS TO FEMININE HYGIENE PRODUCTS IN NORTH**
19 **CAROLINA DIAPER BANKS**

20 **SECTION 2.** There is appropriated from the General Fund to the Department of
21 Health and Human Services the sum of three hundred fifty thousand dollars (\$350,000) in
22 nonrecurring funds for the 2021-2022 fiscal year to be allocated to the Diaper Bank of North
23 Carolina, a nonprofit organization that collects and distributes diapers and other personal hygiene
24 products to assist those in need, to increase the accessibility of feminine hygiene products in local
25 diaper banks throughout the State.
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27 **PART III. EFFECTIVE DATE**

28 **SECTION 3.** This act becomes effective July 1, 2021.



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