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Introduced

Senate Bill 489

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to the Committee on Education]

1 A BILL to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding thereto a new section,
2 designated §18-5-22e, relating to county boards of education; requiring boards to provide
3 free feminine hygiene products in grades six through 12 to female students not otherwise
4 having access to the products; and defining terms.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

ARTICLE 5. COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION.

§18-5-22e. Feminine hygiene products to be provided to grades three through 12.

1 All county boards of education shall make feminine hygiene products, as defined in this
2 section, available to female students, attending public school, in grades three through 12. The
3 boards shall make the feminine hygiene products available at no cost and in a discrete manner
4 to students in the identified population when the female students do not otherwise have access
5 to such feminine hygiene products. All county boards of education shall develop a policy for the
6 discrete provision of feminine hygiene products. For the purposes of this section, "feminine
7 hygiene products" means tampons and sanitary napkins for use in connection with the menstrual
8 cycle.