

CHAPTER 635

AN ACT

HB 3294

Relating to feminine hygiene products in public schools; creating new provisions; amending ORS 327.008; and declaring an emergency.

Be It Enacted by the People of the State of Oregon:

SECTION 1. (1) As used in this section:

(a) "Public education provider" means:

- (A) A school district;
- (B) A public charter school;
- (C) An education service district;
- (D) A community college; or
- (E) A public university listed in ORS 352.002.

(b) "Public school building" means a building used by a public education provider to provide educational services to students.

(c) "Student bathroom" means a bathroom that is accessible by students, including a gender-neutral bathroom, a bathroom designated for females and a bathroom designated for males.

(2)(a) Each public education provider shall ensure that both tampons and sanitary pads are available at no cost to students through dispensers located in at least two student bathrooms of every public school building.

(b) Notwithstanding paragraph (a) of this subsection, if a public school building has only one student bathroom, both tampons and sanitary pads must be available at no cost to students through dispensers located in that bathroom.

(3) A public education provider, and any employee of a public education provider, is not liable in a criminal action or for civil damages as a result of a student's use of a tampon or sanitary pad made available under this section.

(4) The State Board of Education and the Higher Education Coordinating Commission shall adopt any rules necessary for the administration of this section. Rules adopted by the board and commission shall provide for:

(a) The number of dispensers required in each student bathroom;

(b) The types of products available in each student bathroom; and

(c) Payments to public education providers for costs incurred under this section, including:

(A) For school districts, public charter schools and education service districts and subject to subparagraph (B) of this paragraph, distributions from amounts available under ORS 327.008 (18) to be made based on the average daily membership, as defined in ORS 327.006, of the district or school;

(B) For education service districts, distributions to be made as provided by subparagraph (A) of this paragraph may not exceed 7.5 percent

of the amounts available for distribution under ORS 327.008 (18);

(C) For community colleges, distributions from the Community College Support Fund to be made based on the full-time equivalent student enrollment of the community college; and

(D) For public universities, distributions from a public university support fund established by the commission by rule.

SECTION 2. Section 1 of this 2021 Act is amended to read:

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[(2)(a)] (2) Each public education provider shall ensure that both tampons and sanitary pads are available at no cost to students through dispensers located in [at least two] every student [bathrooms] bathroom of every public school building.

[(b) Notwithstanding paragraph (a) of this subsection, if a public school building has only one student bathroom, both tampons and sanitary pads must be available at no cost to students through dispensers located in that bathroom.]

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SECTION 3. The amendments to section 1 of this 2021 Act by section 2 of this 2021 Act become operative on July 1, 2022.

SECTION 4. ORS 327.008 is amended to read:

327.008. (1)(a) There is established a State School Fund in the General Fund.

(b) The Department of Education, on behalf of the State of Oregon, may solicit and accept gifts, grants, donations and other moneys from public and private sources for the State School Fund. Moneys received as provided in this paragraph shall be deposited into the State School Fund.

(c) The State School Fund shall consist of moneys appropriated by the Legislative Assembly, moneys transferred from the Fund for Student Success, moneys transferred from the Education Stability Fund and the Oregon Marijuana Account and moneys received as provided in paragraph (b) of this subsection.

(d) The State School Fund is continuously appropriated to the Department of Education for the purposes of ORS 327.006 to 327.077, 327.095, 327.099, 327.101, 327.125, 327.137, 327.348, 336.575, 336.580, 336.635, 343.243, 343.533, 343.941 and 343.961.

(2) There shall be apportioned from the State School Fund to each school district a State School Fund grant, consisting of the positive amount equal to a general purpose grant and a facility grant and a transportation grant and a high cost disabilities grant minus local revenue, computed as provided in ORS 327.011 and 327.013.

(3) For the first school year after a public charter school ceases to operate because of dissolution or closure or because of termination or nonrenewal of a charter, there shall be apportioned from the State School Fund to each school district that had sponsored a public charter school that ceased to operate an amount equal to the school district's general purpose grant per extended ADMw multiplied by five percent of the ADM of the public charter school for the previous school year.

(4) There shall be apportioned from the State School Fund to each education service district a State School Fund grant as calculated under ORS 327.019.

(5) All figures used in the determination of the distribution of the State School Fund shall be estimates for the same year as the distribution occurs, unless otherwise specified.

(6) Numbers of students in average daily membership used in the distribution formula shall be the numbers as of June of the year of distribution.

(7) A school district may not use the portion of the State School Fund grant that is attributable to the facility grant for capital construction costs.

(8) The total amount of the State School Fund that is distributed as facility grants may not exceed \$7 million in any biennium. If the total amount to be distributed as facility grants exceeds this limitation, the Department of Education shall prorate the amount of funds available for facility grants among those school districts that qualified for a facility grant. If the total amount to be distributed as facility grants does not exceed this limitation, any remaining amounts shall be expended for expenses incurred by the Office of School Facilities as provided in ORS 326.125 (1).

(9) Each biennium, the Department of Education may expend from the State School Fund no more than \$6 million for expenses incurred by the Office of School Facilities under ORS 326.125 (2) to (6).

(10) Each fiscal year, the Department of Education shall transfer to the Pediatric Nursing Facility Account established in ORS 327.022 the amount necessary to pay the costs of educational services provided to students admitted to pediatric nursing facilities as provided in ORS 343.941.

(11) Each fiscal year, the Department of Education shall transfer the amount of \$55 million from the State School Fund to the High Cost Disabilities Account established in ORS 327.348.

(12)(a) Each biennium, the Department of Education shall transfer \$39.5 million from the State School Fund to the Educator Advancement Fund established under ORS 342.953.

(b) For the purpose of making the transfer under this subsection:

(A) The total amount available for all distributions from the State School Fund shall be reduced by \$6 million;

(B) The amount distributed to school districts from the State School Fund under this section and ORS 327.013 shall be reduced by \$16.75 million; and

(C) The amount distributed to education service districts from the State School Fund under this section and ORS 327.019 shall be reduced by \$16.75 million.

(c) For each biennium, the amounts identified in this subsection shall be adjusted by the same percentage by which the instructions furnished to state agencies by the Governor under ORS 291.204 direct the state agencies to adjust their agency budget requests for special payments under ORS 291.216 (6)(a)(C).

(13) Each biennium, the Department of Education shall transfer \$12.5 million from the State School Fund to the Statewide English Language Learner Program Account established under ORS 327.344.

(14) Each fiscal year, the Department of Education may expend up to \$550,000 from the State School Fund for the contract described in ORS 329.488. The amount distributed to education service districts from the State School Fund under this section and ORS 327.019 shall be reduced by the

amount expended by the department under this subsection.

(15) Each biennium, the Department of Education may expend up to \$350,000 from the State School Fund to provide administration of and support for the development of talented and gifted education under ORS 343.404.

(16) Each biennium, the Department of Education may expend up to \$150,000 from the State School Fund for the administration of a program to increase the number of speech-language pathologists and speech-language pathology assistants under ORS 348.394 to 348.406.

(17) Each biennium, the Department of Education shall transfer \$2 million from the State School Fund for deposit to the Healthy School Facilities Fund established under ORS 332.337. Notwithstanding ORS 332.337, the department may expend moneys received in the Healthy School Facilities Fund under this subsection only as grants for costs associated with testing for elevated levels of lead in water used for drinking or food preparation.

(18) Each biennium, the Department of Education shall transfer an amount not to exceed

\$5,595,000 for the purpose of making tampons and sanitary pads available as provided by section 1 of this 2021 Act.

SECTION 5. The amendments to ORS 327.008 by section 4 of this 2021 Act apply to State School Fund distributions commencing with the 2021-2022 distributions.

SECTION 6. In addition to and not in lieu of any other appropriation, there is appropriated to the Department of Education, for the biennium beginning July 1, 2021, out of the General Fund, the amount of \$137,483, for the purpose of section 1 of this 2021 Act.

SECTION 7. This 2021 Act being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health and safety, an emergency is declared to exist, and this 2021 Act takes effect July 1, 2021.

Approved by the Governor July 27, 2021

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