# WEST VIRGINIA LEGISLATURE

## **2023 REGULAR SESSION**

## Introduced

# Senate Bill 489

By Senators Grady, Woelfel, and Plymale
[Introduced January 27, 2023; referred
to the Committee on Education]

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

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