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DANA RADEMAN MILLER, Chief Clerk

AN ACT

To amend chapter 167, RSMo, by adding thereto one new section relating to period products in charter schools and public schools.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the state of Missouri, as follows:

Section A. Chapter 167, RSMo, is amended by adding thereto one new section, to be known as section 167.632, to read as follows:

167.632. 1. As used in this section, the following terms mean:

- (1) "Charter school", any charter school established under chapter 160 with forty percent or more of its students residing in households with a household income that does not exceed one hundred eighty-five percent of the most recent poverty guidelines updated periodically in the Federal Register by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services under the authority of 42 U.S.C. Section 9902(2);
- (2) "Period products", tampons and sanitary napkins for use in connection with the menstrual cycle;
- 9 (3) "School building", any facility owned or leased by a charter school or a school 10 district:
- 11 (a) Over which the charter school or the school board of the school district has care, 12 custody, or control; and
 - (b) In which there is a charter school or a middle school or junior high school serving students in grades six to eight or a charter school or a high school serving students in grades nine to twelve;
- 16 (4) "School district", any public school district in which forty percent or more of 17 the students reside in households with a household income that does not exceed one

EXPLANATION — Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets [thus] in the above bill is not enacted and is intended to be omitted from the law. Matter in **bold-face** type in the above bill is proposed language.

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hundred eighty-five percent of the most recent poverty guidelines updated periodically in the Federal Register by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services under the 19 20 authority of 42 U.S.C. Section 9902(2).

- 2. Beginning on July 1, 2022, each charter school and school district shall provide period products in the restrooms of each of the charter school's or district's school buildings.
- 3. Each charter school and school district shall provide period products at no 25 charge to students. The total costs under this section shall be borne by the state from funds 26 appropriated to the department of elementary and secondary education for that specific purpose.