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FISCAL IMPACT REPORT

SPONSOR Anaya LAST UPDATED _____
ORIGINAL DATE 2/3/2025
BILL
SHORT TITLE Menstrual Products in Ed. Institutions NUMBER House Bill 151
ANALYST Jorgensen

APPROPRIATION* (dollars in thousands)

FY25	FY26	Recurring or Nonrecurring	Fund Affected
	\$1,000.0	Recurring	General Fund

Parentheses () indicate expenditure decreases.

*Amounts reflect most recent analysis of this legislation.

Sources of Information

LFC Files

Agency Analysis Received From
Higher Education Department (HED)
Independent Community Colleges (NMICC)

SUMMARY

Synopsis of House Bill 151

House Bill 151 (HB151) requires all state educational institutions enumerated in Article XII, Section 11 of the New Mexico Constitution to provide menstrual products free of charge in all women's and gender neutral bathrooms and at least one men's bathroom on campus. HB151 appropriates \$1 million from the general fund to the Higher Education Department (HED) for distribution to higher education institutions to for purchase of menstrual products and installation of dispensers.

This bill does not contain an effective date and, as a result, would go into effect 90 days after the Legislature adjourns if enacted, or June 20, 2025.

FISCAL IMPLICATIONS

The appropriation of \$1 million contained in this bill is a recurring expense to the general fund. Any unexpended or unencumbered balance remaining at the end of FY26 shall revert to the general fund.

A number of institutions currently provide free menstrual products through student health centers and other means, but product availability and program uptake vary by institution. For this reason,

it is difficult to determine funding needs for the program.

SIGNIFICANT ISSUES

HB151 relates to educational institutions created under Article XII, Section 11 of the constitution of New Mexico. The institutions include all four-year colleges, the New Mexico School for the Blind and Visually Impaired, New Mexico School for the Deaf, and New Mexico Military Institute. The bill does not cover independent community colleges.

HED notes the bill covers four-year colleges but is unclear as to inclusion or exclusion of branch campuses.

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