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A Local Law to amend the administrative code of the city of New York, in relation to menstrual products in city bathroom facilities

Be it enacted by the Council as follows:

Section 1. Chapter 1 of title 17 of the administrative code of the city of New York is amended by adding a new section 17-199.23 to read as follows:

§ 17-199.23 Menstrual products in city bathroom facilities. a. Definitions. As used in this section, the following terms have the following meanings:

City bathroom facility. The term “city bathroom facility” means any bathroom or shower that is leased, managed, or operated by the city, excluding any bathroom or shower that is in a school building as defined in section 21-968.

Menstrual products. The term “menstrual products” means menstrual cups, tampons, and sanitary napkins for use in connection with the menstrual cycle.

b. Provision of menstrual products. No later than 180 days after the effective date of the local law that added this section, the department, in coordination with the department of citywide administrative services, shall make menstrual products available at no cost in every city bathroom facility.

c. Report. No later than 1 year after the effective date of the local law that added this section, and annually thereafter, the department, in coordination with the department of citywide administrative services, shall submit a report to the mayor and the speaker of the council on the provision of menstrual products in city

bathroom facilities as required by subdivision b of this section. The report shall include, but need not be limited to, the following:

1. The total number of city bathroom facilities;

2. The total number of city bathroom facilities where menstrual products are not available; and

3. If there are any city bathroom facilities where menstrual products are not available, the reasons why the products are not available.

§ 2. This local law takes effect immediately.

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