

To: Members of the Senate Education Finance and Senate Education Policy Committees

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Chair Cwodzinski, Chair Kunesh, and committee members, my name is Lila Ford and I am a graduate of Delano High School. I provide this statement in support of SF50, which would provide access to menstrual products in Minnesota school bathrooms.

Putting free period products in bathrooms will enable all menstruating students to feel comfortable and focus on school. I, and many of my friends, have experienced the embarrassment and discomfort that comes with not having a pad or tampon when you need it and it disrupts your day making learning difficult. All menstruators deserve to be able to have their basic needs met at school.