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***** MEDIA ADVISORY for Tuesday, March 21, 2023 at noon*****

Senator Book and Representative Skidmore Join Student Advocates to Promote Learning with Dignity and Host Period Product Packing Event

TALLAAHSSEE, Fla. – On Tuesday, March 21, 2023 at noon, **Senator Lauren Book (D – Plantation)** and **Representative Kelly Skidmore (D – Boca Raton)** will join student advocates and Leon County School Board members for a press conference at the Florida Capitol to discuss how the Learning with Dignity bills (**[SB 334](#)/[HB 389](#)**) will address the issue of period poverty. Period poverty refers to inadequate access to menstrual hygiene products, such as sanitary pads and tampons. The legislation would require school districts to make these products available at no cost in middle and high schools. The bills require that this basic necessity be made available in at least 25% of each school's total number of bathrooms and the nurse's office.

The press conference will mark the closing of a month-long period product drive at the capitol. Members, staff, and visitors to the capitol complex are encouraged to drop off period products at specified collection locations before noon on March 21, 2023. The collected products will be sorted, and packed on the premises by House members and representatives of the Coalition Against Period Poverty immediately following the press conference. The packed products will then be distributed via The Girl Flo Project to girls and women in the Leon County and surrounding areas.

Who: Speakers include –

- **Senate Minority Leader Lauren Book**
- **Representative Kelly Skidmore**
- **Leon County Schools Assistant Superintendent Dr. Michelle Gayle**
- **Leon County School Board Member Rosanne Wood**
- **Amaya Waymon** – The Girl Flo Project

- **Takeata King Pang** – Coalition Against Period Poverty

What: Press Conference on [SB 334](#)/[HB 389](#)

Where: 316 Capitol and via Facebook Live Stream.

When: Tuesday, March 21, 2023 at noon

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