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HOUSE BILL 20-1273

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(None),

House Committees

State, Veterans, & Military Affairs

Senate Committees

A BILL FOR AN ACT

101 CONCERNING PARTICIPATION IN SCHOOL SPORTS PROGRAMS FOR
102 FEMALE STUDENT ATHLETES.

Bill Summary

(Note: This summary applies to this bill as introduced and does not reflect any amendments that may be subsequently adopted. If this bill passes third reading in the house of introduction, a bill summary that applies to the reengrossed version of this bill will be available at <http://leg.colorado.gov>.)

The bill prohibits male students from participating on any athletic team for students in sixth through twelfth grade that participates in an athletic activity sponsored by a school and is designated for "females", "women", or "girls". If the participating student's sex is disputed, the student may prove that she is of the female sex by presenting a signed physician's statement indicating the student's sex based on the student's

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reproductive anatomy, levels of naturally occurring testosterone, and an analysis of the student's chromosomes.

1 *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Colorado:*

2 **SECTION 1. Short title.** The short title of this act is the
3 "Equality and Fairness in Youth Sports Act".

4 **SECTION 2.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 22-32-116.5, **add**
5 (1.5) as follows:

6 **22-32-116.5. Extracurricular and interscholastic activities -**
7 **definitions.** (1.5) (a) ANY TEAM COMPOSED OF STUDENT ATHLETES WHO
8 ARE ENROLLED IN ANY GRADE BETWEEN SIXTH GRADE AND TWELFTH
9 GRADE THAT IS DESIGNATED FOR "FEMALES", "WOMEN", OR "GIRLS" THAT
10 PARTICIPATES IN AN ATHLETIC ACTIVITY MUST ONLY BE OPEN TO
11 STUDENTS OF THE FEMALE SEX.

12 (b) IF DISPUTED, A STUDENT MAY PROVE THAT SHE IS OF THE
13 FEMALE SEX BY PRESENTING TO THE SCHOOL DISTRICT OF THE STUDENT'S
14 TEAM A SIGNED STATEMENT FROM A PHYSICIAN LICENSED PURSUANT TO
15 ARTICLE 240 OF TITLE 12 THAT INDICATES THE STUDENT'S SEX BASED
16 SOLELY UPON:

17 (I) THE STUDENT'S INTERNAL AND EXTERNAL REPRODUCTIVE
18 ANATOMY;

19 (II) THE STUDENT'S NATURALLY OCCURRING LEVEL OF
20 TESTOSTERONE; AND

21 (III) AN ANALYSIS OF THE STUDENT'S CHROMOSOMES.

22 (c) A SIGNED PHYSICIAN'S STATEMENT THAT MEETS THE
23 REQUIREMENTS OF SUBSECTION (1.5)(b) OF THIS SECTION IS VALID PROOF
24 OF THE STUDENT'S SEX FOR PARTICIPATION IN ANY ATHLETIC ACTIVITY IN
25 COLORADO FOR THE DURATION OF THE SCHOOL YEAR IN WHICH IT IS

1 PRESENTED.

2 **SECTION 3. Act subject to petition - effective date.** This act
3 takes effect at 12:01 a.m. on the day following the expiration of the
4 ninety-day period after final adjournment of the general assembly (August
5 5, 2020, if adjournment sine die is on May 6, 2020); except that, if a
6 referendum petition is filed pursuant to section 1 (3) of article V of the
7 state constitution against this act or an item, section, or part of this act
8 within such period, then the act, item, section, or part will not take effect
9 unless approved by the people at the general election to be held in
10 November 2020 and, in such case, will take effect on the date of the
11 official declaration of the vote thereon by the governor.