

**FIRST ENGROSSMENT
with Senate Amendments
ENGROSSED HOUSE BILL NO. 1298**

Introduced by

Representatives B. Koppelman, Meier, Paulson, Schauer, Skroch, Steiner, Vetter

Senators Clemens, Kannianen, Myrdal

1 A BILL for an Act to provide for a legislative management study regarding student athletic
2 events that are exclusively for males or exclusively for females and the impact of the policy that
3 prohibits participation in those events by individuals who are the opposite sex.

4 **BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF NORTH DAKOTA:**

5 **SECTION 1. LEGISLATIVE MANAGEMENT STUDY - STUDENT ATHLETIC EVENTS.**

6 During the 2021-22 interim, the legislative management shall consider studying student athletic
7 events that are exclusively for males or exclusively for females and the impact of a policy that
8 prohibits participation in those events by individuals who are of the opposite sex. The study
9 must consider:

- 10 1. The economic impact of the policy on local, regional, and state tourism if youth athletic
11 programs were not held in North Dakota;
- 12 2. The impact of the policy on student athletes' inability to participate in regional and
13 national qualifying events for the students' respective athletic events;
- 14 3. The potential litigation impact to student athletes, school districts, activities directors,
15 coaches, and the North Dakota high school activities association; and
- 16 4. The impact of the policy on student behavioral health and any necessary resources to
17 address such impacts.

18 The legislative management shall report its findings and recommendations, together with any
19 legislation required to implement the recommendations, to the sixty-eighth legislative assembly.