

**Sixty-seventh Legislative Assembly of North Dakota
In Regular Session Commencing Tuesday, January 5, 2021**

HOUSE BILL NO. 1298
(Representatives B. Koppelman, Meier, Paulson, Schauer, Skroch, Steiner, Vetter)
(Senators Clemens, Kannianen, Myrdal)

AN ACT to create and enact a new section to chapter 14-02.4 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to participation in athletic events exclusively for males or females; and to provide for a legislative management study.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF NORTH DAKOTA:

SECTION 1. A new section to chapter 14-02.4 of the North Dakota Century Code is created and enacted as follows:

Athletic events exclusively for males or exclusively for females.

1. A public elementary or secondary school may not knowingly allow an individual of the opposite sex who is enrolled in a public elementary or secondary school to participate on a school-sponsored athletic team that is exclusively for females or exclusively for males.
2. For purposes of this section, sex means an individual's biological sex and is based solely on an individual's reproductive biology and genetics at birth.
3. This section may not be construed to prohibit a female from participating in a school-sponsored athletic team or event that is exclusively for males.

SECTION 2. LEGISLATIVE MANAGEMENT STUDY - STUDENT ATHLETIC EVENTS. During the 2021-22 interim, the legislative management shall consider studying student athletic events that are exclusively for males or exclusively for females and the impact of a policy that prohibits participation in those events by individuals who are of the opposite sex. The legislative management shall report its findings and recommendations, together with any legislation required to implement the recommendations, to the sixty-eighth legislative assembly.

Speaker of the House

President of the Senate

Chief Clerk of the House

Secretary of the Senate

This certifies that the within bill originated in the House of Representatives of the Sixty-seventh Legislative Assembly of North Dakota and is known on the records of that body as House Bill No. 1298.

House Vote: Yeas 69 Nays 25 Absent 0

Senate Vote: Yeas 27 Nays 20 Absent 0

Chief Clerk of the House

Received by the Governor at _____ M. on _____, 2021.

Approved at _____ M. on _____, 2021.

Governor

Filed in this office this _____ day of _____, 2021,

at _____ o'clock _____ M.

Secretary of State

Honorable Al Jaeger
Secretary of State
Bismarck, North Dakota

I certify this Act, House Bill No. 1298, together with the objections of Governor Burgum, was returned to the House, being the body in which it originated, on April 22, 2021; that the objections of the Governor were read at length on April 22, 2021, and entered upon the Journal; that the Bill was taken up for reconsideration; that the motion for reconsideration prevailed on April 22, 2021, at 12:41 p.m.; and the roll was called and the Bill did pass, with more than two-thirds of the members-elect voting in the affirmative.

Vote:	Yeas	68
	Nays	25
	Absent and not voting	1

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Vote:	Yeas	28
	Nays	19
	Absent and not voting	0

President of the Senate

Secretary of the Senate