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AN ACT *to amend* 118.13 (1), 118.40 (4) (b) 2., 119.04 (1) and 119.22; and *to create*118.40 (4) (c) and 120.13 (38) of the statutes; **relating to:** allowing school boards and charter schools to establish single–sex schools and courses.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

The people of the state of Wisconsin, represented in senate and assembly, do enact as follows:

SECTION 1. 118.13 (1) of the statutes is amended to read:

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118.13 **(1)** No Except as provided in s. 120.13 (38), no person may be denied admission to any public school or be denied participation in, be denied the benefits of or be discriminated against in any curricular, extracurricular, pupil services, recreational or other program or activity because of the person's sex, race, religion, national origin, ancestry, creed, pregnancy, marital or parental status, sexual orientation or physical, mental, emotional or learning disability.

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SECTION 2. 118.40 (4) (b) 2. of the statutes is amended to read:

118.40 **(4)** (b) 2. Discriminate Except as provided in par. (c), discriminate in admission or deny participation in any program or activity on the basis of a person's sex, race, religion, national origin, ancestry, pregnancy, marital or parental status, sexual orientation or physical, mental, emotional or learning disability.

SECTION 3. 118.40 (4) (c) of the statutes is created to read:

118.40 **(4)** (c) *Single–sex schools and courses.* A school board may enter into a contract for, and an entity under sub. (2r) may establish or enter into a contract for, the establishment of a charter school that enrolls only one sex or that provides one or more courses that enroll only one sex if the school board or entity under sub. (2r) makes available to the opposite sex, under the same policies and criteria of admission, schools or courses that are comparable to each such school or course.

SECTION 4. 119.04 (1) of the statutes is amended to read:

119.04 **(1)** Subchapters IV, V and VII of ch. 115, ch. 121 and ss. 66.0235 (3) (c), 115.01 (1) and (2), 115.28, 115.31, 115.33, 115.34, 115.343, 115.345, 115.361, 115.38 (2), 115.45, 118.001 to 118.04, 118.045, 118.06, 118.07, 118.10, 118.12, 118.125 to 118.14, 118.145 (4), 118.15, 118.153, 118.16, 118.162, 118.163, 118.164, 118.18, 118.19, 118.20, 118.24 (1), (2) (c) to (f), (6) and (8), 118.245, 118.255, 118.258, 118.291, 118.30 to 118.43, 118.51, 118.52, 118.55, 120.12 (5) and (15) to (26), 120.125, 120.13 (1), (2) (b) to (g), (3), (14), (17) to (19), (26), (34), (35) and, (37), and (38), 120.14, and 120.25 are applicable to a 1st class city school district and board.

SECTION 5. 119.22 of the statutes is amended to read:

119.22 Sex discrimination in physical education or physical training prohibited. Courses Except as provided in s. 120.13 (38), courses in physical education or physical training may not discriminate on the basis of sex in the

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provision of necessary facilities, equipment, instruction or financial support, or the
opportunity to participate in any physical education or training activity as provided
in 20 USC 1681 et seq.
SECTION 6. 120.13 (38) of the statutes is created to read:
120.13 (38) Single-sex schools and courses. Operate one or more schools that
enroll only one sex or provide one or more courses that enroll only one sex if the school
board makes available to the opposite sex, under the same policies and criteria of
admission, schools or courses that are comparable to each such school or course.

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