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AMENDMENT MEMO



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2021 Assembly Bill 195

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Amendment 1**

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2021 Assembly Bill 195 requires all University of Wisconsin System (UWS) and Wisconsin Technical College System (WTCS) institutions to designate each intercollegiate, intramural, and club athletic team or sport at the institution as having participants who are: (1) males or men; (2) females or women; or (3) coed or mixed-sex. Under the bill, ‘sex’ means “the sex assigned to an individual at birth by a physician.” The bill prohibits UWS and WTCS from allowing any person whose sex, as defined by the bill, is male from participating on a team designated as solely for participants who are females or women. Finally, the bill creates three legal causes of action relating to harms resulting from violations of the bill, retaliation for reporting violations of the bill, and an institution’s compliance with the bill.

ASSEMBLY AMENDMENT 1

Assembly Amendment 1 changes the definition of sex from “the sex assigned to an individual at birth by a physician” to “the sex determined by a physician at birth and reflected on the birth certificate.” Therefore, the amendment changes the definition of ‘sex’ to include a reference to what is provided on an individual’s birth certificate.

BILL HISTORY

Representative Rozar offered Assembly Amendment 1 on March 31, 2021. On June 2, 2021, the Assembly Committee on Colleges and Universities recommended adoption of the amendment, and passage of the bill, as amended, both on votes of Ayes, 10; Noes, 5.

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