

SECOND REGULAR SESSION

HOUSE BILL NO. 2357

102ND GENERAL ASSEMBLY

INTRODUCED BY REPRESENTATIVE LONSDALE.

5023H.011

DANA RADEMAN MILLER, Chief Clerk

AN ACT

To amend chapter 171, RSMo, by adding thereto one new section relating to the physical privacy of students.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the state of Missouri, as follows:

Section A. Chapter 171, RSMo, is amended by adding thereto one new section, to be known as section 171.425, to read as follows:

171.425. 1. For the purposes of this section, the following terms shall mean:

(1) "Biological sex", the physical condition of being male or female, identified at birth by a person's anatomy and indicated on their birth certificate;

(2) "Public school", the same as defined in section 160.011.

2. In every public school setting in which a student may be in a state of undress in the presence of other students, school personnel shall provide separate, distinct areas designated for use by students based on their biological sex to ensure the personal privacy and safety of students.

3. Every public school shower room, locker room, and restroom designated for student use and which is accessible by multiple students at the same time shall be designated for and used only by students of the same biological sex. At no time shall a student be allowed to access a public school shower room, locker room, or restroom designated for use by the opposite biological sex.

4. (1) A student who asserts to school officials that his or her gender is different from his or her biological sex may be provided with alternative shower room, locker room, or restroom accommodations, provided that a parent or legal guardian of a minor child who makes such assertion shall provide written consent to use of such alternative

EXPLANATION — Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets ~~thus~~ in the above bill is not enacted and is intended to be omitted from the law. Matter in **bold-face** type in the above bill is proposed language.

18 accommodations. Such accommodations shall not include the use of student shower
19 rooms, locker rooms, or restrooms designated for use by students of the opposite
20 biological sex.

21 (2) Acceptable accommodations may include but are not limited to controlled
22 use of faculty shower rooms, locker rooms, or restrooms, or access to single-stall
23 restrooms and unisex bathrooms.

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