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## **Bill Analysis**

SB 331 creates the Save Women's Sports Act. It requires athletic teams sponsored by a school or sponsored by a private school that competes against a school to be expressly designated based on biological sex as "males," "men" or "boys"; "females," "women" or "girls"; or "coed" or "mixed." The measure prohibits teams designated for "females," "women" or "girls" from being open to male students and provides a cause of action for any student deprived of an athletic opportunity or who suffers direct or indirect harm as a result of a violation of the act.

Additionally, the measure creates a cause of action for any student who is subject to retaliation or other adverse action by a school or athletic or intercollegiate association as a result of reporting a violation. The measure prohibits the State Board of Education, the Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education and any school athletic or intercollegiate association from entertaining a complaint, opening an investigation or taking adverse action against a school maintaining athletic teams or sports for students of the female sex. It provides a cause of action for any school that suffers direct or indirect harm as a result of a violation. It requires causes of action to be initiated within two years of the harm occurring.

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