## **BILL SUMMARY**

1<sup>st</sup> Session of the 59<sup>th</sup> Legislature

Bill No.: SB 202
Version: CCS
Request Number: 2235
Author: Rep. Hasenbeck
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Impact: Please see previous summary of this measure

## **Research Analysis**

The conference committee substitute to SB 202 creates the "Women's Bill of Rights," which aims to bring clarity, certainty, and uniformity under state law as to how natural persons of both biological sexes are treated under state law. This act will supersede and interpret all laws where the application is contingent upon the classification of a person as male or female. Additionally, the measure provides definitions for *father*, *female*, *male*, *man or boy*, *mother*, *natural person*, *person*, *sex*, *woman or girl*, *and equal*. Any policy, program, or statute that prohibits sex discrimination is to be construed to forbid unfair treatment of males or females in relation to similarly situated members of the opposite sex. The state or its political subdivisions will not be prohibited from establishing distinctions between sexes when they are substantially related to an important government objective including biology, privacy, safety, or fairness. Lastly, any political division or any state agency or department that collects vital statistics must include, but not be limited to, the identification of any natural person in the data as male or female.

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## Fiscal Analysis

The measure is currently under review and impact information will be completed.

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## **Other Considerations**

None.

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