

BILL SUMMARY

1st Session of the 59th Legislature

Bill No.:	SB 408
Version:	PCS2
Request Number:	8166
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Impact:	Please see previous summary of this measure

Research Analysis

PCS2 for SB 408 creates the "Women's Bill of Rights," which states its purpose as bringing clarity, certainty, and uniformity under state law in terms of how persons of both biological sexes are treated under state law. This supersedes all laws where the application is contingent upon the classification of a person as male or female including to but not limited to any educational benefits, corrections, housing, employment protections, and civil rights laws codified in statute. The measure provides definitions for *father, female, male, man or boy, mother, natural person, sex, woman or girl*, and *equal*. Any policy, program, or statute that prohibits sex discrimination is construed to forbid unfair treatment of females or males in relation to members of the other sex; however, political subdivisions will not be prohibited from establishing distinctions between sexes when they are substantially related to an important government object or involve fairness in certain locations and circumstances. Any political subdivision or any state agency or department that collects vital statistics must include, but not be limited to, the identification of any natural person 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.