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## State of Misconsin 2015 - 2016 LEGISLATURE

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## ASSEMBLY SUBSTITUTE AMENDMENT 1, TO ASSEMBLY BILL 469

December 15, 2015 - Offered by Representative Kremer.

- 1 AN ACT *to create* 118.315 of the statutes; **relating to:** use of changing rooms by pupils.
  - The people of the state of Wisconsin, represented in senate and assembly, do enact as follows:
  - **SECTION 1.** 118.315 of the statutes is created to read:
- 4 **118.315 Pupil physical privacy.** (1) In this section:
  - (a) "Changing room" means a room or area, with or without stalls for individual use, designated for a person to change his or her clothes. "Changing room" includes a locker room, shower room, and dressing room, but does not include a gender-neutral restroom.
  - (b) "Gender-neutral restroom" means a restroom that satisfies all of the following requirements:
- 11 1. The restroom has 2 or more stalls.

- 2. Each stall in the restroom has a floor-to-ceiling door with a lock or latch so that the door may be locked or latched from the inside.
- 3. Each stall in the restroom is separated from any other stall by either a wall or floor-to-ceiling partitions.
- 4. There are no spaces between the doors, walls, and partitions used in the construction of each stall so that a person standing outside a stall cannot see inside the stall and a person inside a stall cannot see into any other stall.
- 5. If the restroom has a urinal, the urinal is located in a stall that meets the requirements under subds. 2. to 4.
- (c) "Sex" means the physical condition of being male or female, as determined by an individual's reproductive organs and as designated on that individual's birth certificate.
- (2) (a) 1. A school board shall designate each pupil restroom and changing room located in a public school building in the school district and accessible by multiple pupils simultaneously as for the exclusive use of pupils of only one sex.
- 2. The school board may establish policies for special events, including athletic events, during which the school board may temporarily redesignate a pupil restroom and changing room. Upon the conclusion of the special event, the pupil restroom and changing room shall revert to the designation under subd. 1.
- (b) 1. Except as provided in subd. 2., no member of the female sex may use a pupil restroom or changing room that has been designated by the school board for the exclusive use of the male sex, and no member of the male sex may use a pupil restroom or changing room that has been designated by the school board for the exclusive use of the female sex.

- 2. a. The prohibition under subd. 1. does not apply if the school board has set aside the designation under par. (a) 1. pursuant to a policy established under par. (a) 2.
- b. The prohibition under subd. 1. does not apply to a janitor or maintenance person when performing duties related to his or her employment; to a teacher, school administrator, police officer, or emergency medical services personnel when performing duties related to his or her employment, including during an emergency or a drill described under s. 118.07 (2) (a); to a parent, other family member, or guardian assisting a child; or to a person providing assistance to a person with a disability.
- (3) (a) A school board shall provide reasonable accommodations to a pupil to use a single-occupancy restroom or changing room or the regulated use of a faculty restroom or changing room if the parent or guardian of the pupil submits to the administrator of the school in which the pupil is enrolled a written request to receive accommodations under this paragraph. The school administrator shall treat a written request submitted under this paragraph as a pupil record subject to the protections under s. 118.125 (2).
- (b) Subject to the requirements of s. 120.12 (12), a school board may provide a gender-neutral restroom in a school in the school district for use by pupils.
- (4) (a) If a school board receives a written complaint from a pupil enrolled in the school district, or the parent or guardian of a pupil enrolled in the district, regarding a violation of this section, the school board shall, within 30 days, investigate and attempt to resolve the complaint.
- (b) Subject to s. 118.26 or, for a school district operating under ch. 119, s. 119.68, the pupil, or the parent or guardian of the pupil, who submitted a written complaint

- under par. (a) may bring a claim for any of the following if the complaint is not resolved to the satisfaction of the pupil or the pupil's parent or guardian:
  - 1. Declaratory relief.
- 4 2. Injunctive relief.

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3. Damages, including the reimbursement of reasonable attorney fees.

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