SENATE BILL NO. 212

103RD GENERAL ASSEMBLY

INTRODUCED BY SENATOR FITZWATER.

0636S.01I KRISTINA MARTIN, Secretary

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

- 2 one new section, to be known as section 171.425, to read as
- 3 follows:
 - 171.425. 1. For the purposes of this section, the
- 2 following terms shall mean:
- 3 (1) "Biological sex", the physical condition of being
- 4 male or female, identified at birth by a person's anatomy
- 5 and indicated on their birth certificate;
- 6 (2) "Public school", the same as defined in section
- 7 160.011.
- 8 2. In every public school setting in which a student
- 9 may be in a state of undress in the presence of other
- 10 students, school personnel shall provide separate, distinct
- 11 areas designated for use by students based on their
- 12 biological sex to ensure the personal privacy and safety of
- 13 students.
- 3. Every public school shower room, locker room, and
- 15 restroom designated for student use and which is accessible
- 16 by multiple students at the same time shall be designated
- 17 for and used only by students of the same biological sex.
- 18 At no time shall a student be allowed to access a public

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school shower room, locker room, or restroom designated for use by the opposite biological sex.

- (1) A student who asserts to school officials that 21 22 his or her gender is different from his or her biological 23 sex may be provided with alternative shower room, locker 24 room, or restroom accommodations, provided that a parent or 25 legal guardian of a minor child who makes such assertion 26 shall provide written consent to use of such alternative 27 accommodations. Such accommodations shall not include the use of student shower rooms, locker rooms, or restrooms 28 designated for use by students of the opposite biological 29 30 sex.
- 31 (2) Acceptable accommodations may include, but are not 32 limited to, controlled use of faculty shower rooms, locker 33 rooms, or restrooms, or access to single-stall restrooms and 34 unisex bathrooms.

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