HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION L

August 13, 2025, Introduced by Rep. Woolford and referred to Committee on Government Operations.

A joint resolution proposing an amendment to the state constitution of 1963, by adding section 29 to article 1, to regulate eligibility to participate in athletic events based on sex and related characteristics.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the state of Michigan, That the following amendment to the state constitution of 1963, to regulate eligibility to participate in athletic events based on sex and related characteristics, is proposed, agreed to, and submitted to the people of the state:

1 ARTICLE I

- 1 Sec. 29. If this state, a political subdivision of this state,
- 2 or an accrediting organization or interscholastic athletic
- 3 association operating in or having business activities in this
- 4 state, conducts or funds an athletic event, eligibility to
- 5 participate in the athletic event may be based on the sex of the
- 6 participants. Eligibility shall not be based on the construct of
- 7 gender identity or on procedures that manipulate sex
- 8 characteristics to conform to gender identity.
- 9 Any individual may bring an action for declaratory,
- 10 injunctive, or monetary relief to enforce this section on the
- 11 individual's behalf. The action shall be brought in the circuit
- 12 court for the county in which a plaintiff resides. If a plaintiff
- 13 prevails in whole or in part, the court shall award reasonable
- 14 attorney fees, costs, and disbursements.
- As used in this section, "sex" means the state of being female
- 16 or the state of being male, as an innate, objective, biological
- 17 condition as identified at the time of birth.
- 18 Resolved further, That the foregoing amendment shall be
- 19 submitted to the people of the state at the next general election
- 20 in the manner provided by law.