

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 40

Reps. Greene, Bollin, St. Germaine, Linting, Smit, Steele, Schmaltz, Jenkins-Arno, Thompson, DeBoer, Wortz, Johnsen, Lightner, Wendzel, Woolford, Pavlov, Fox, Carra, BeGole, Kunse, Neyer, Wozniak, Schuette, VanderWall and DeSana offered the following resolution:

1 A resolution to strongly encourage the Michigan High School
2 Athletic Association to promptly align its eligibility rules for
3 high school athletes with Executive Order 14201 to preserve the
4 integrity of competition and the safety of our female athletes.

5 Whereas, President Trump issued Executive Order 14201 which
6 states that it is the policy of the United States to oppose male
7 competitive participation in women's athletics. Executive Order
8 14201 further states that Title IX enforcement actions shall be
9 prioritized against educational institutions and athletic
10 associations that require female students to compete with or

1 against men; and

2 Whereas, Sports should foster fair and balanced competitions
3 that protect the health, safety, and well-being of athletes. To
4 that end, the National Collegiate Athletic Association has already
5 changed its policies and eligibility rules to align with Executive
6 Order 14201 - limiting competition in women's sports to student
7 athletes assigned female at birth; and

8 Whereas, The Michigan High School Athletic Association,
9 however, has delayed taking action to bring their policies into
10 compliance with Executive Order 14201. Continued noncompliance
11 with Executive Order 14201 could jeopardize federal funding to
12 school districts which would harm all of Michigan's students. The
13 Michigan High School Athletic Association's decision to continue
14 allowing biological males to compete in women's sports in defiance
15 of a federal Executive Order could put female high school athletes
16 in Michigan at risk for injury, threatens the safety and fairness
17 of competitions, and undermines the intent of Title IX; now,
18 therefore, be it

19 Resolved by the House of Representatives, That we strongly
20 encourage the Michigan High School Athletic Association to promptly
21 align its eligibility rules for high school athletes with Executive
22 Order 14201 to preserve the integrity of competition and the safety
23 of our female athletes; and be it further

24 Resolved, That a copy of this resolution be transmitted to the
25 President of the United States, the Speaker of the United States
26 House of Representatives, the President pro tempore of the United
27 States Senate, and the Executive Director of the Michigan High
28 School Athletic Association.