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House of Representatives, March 11, 2025

An Act to Protect Children's Identification by Requiring Public Schools to Use the Name and Gender Specified on a Child's Birth Certificate

Reference to the Committee on Judiciary suggested and ordered printed.

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Presented by Representative LYMAN of Livermore Falls.

Cosponsored by Senator TIMBERLAKE of Androscoggin and

Representatives: DAIGLE of Fort Kent, DRINKWATER of Milford, EDER of Waterboro, FREDERICKS of Sanford, GRIFFIN of Levant, HAGGAN of Hampden, SOBOLESKI of

Phillips, Senator: LIBBY of Cumberland.

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows:

Sec. 1. 20-A MRSA §14 is enacted to read:

§14. Student identification

Notwithstanding Title 5, chapter 337, personnel of a public school and public charter school authorized under chapter 112 shall refer to a minor student by the name and gender listed on the student's official record of birth submitted to the school at the time of enrollment pursuant to section 6002 unless the minor student's parent provides written permission stating otherwise or documentation of a legal change of name or gender is provided to the school.

10 SUMMARY

This bill provides that public school and public charter school personnel must refer to a minor student by the name and gender listed on the student's official record of birth submitted to the school at the time of enrollment unless the minor student's parent or guardian provides written permission stating otherwise or documentation of a legal change of name or gender is provided to the school.