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H.P. 1139

House of Representatives, April 17, 2025

**An Act to Prohibit a School Administrative Unit from Adopting a
Policy That Allows a Student to Use a Restroom Designated for Use
by the Opposite Sex**

Reference to the Committee on Education and Cultural Affairs suggested and ordered printed.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "R B. Hunt".

ROBERT B. HUNT
Clerk

Presented by Representative SMITH of Palermo.

Cosponsored by Representatives: COLLINS of Sidney, DRINKWATER of Milford, EDER of Waterboro, PAUL of Winterport, SOBOLESKI of Phillips, Senator: BRADSTREET of Kennebec.

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

Sec. 1. 20-A M RSA §6501, sub-§6 is enacted to read:

6. Gender identity and sanitary facilities. Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary within Title 5, chapter 337, a school administrative unit may not adopt a policy that permits a student to use a sanitary facility according to the student's gender identity if that sanitary facility is designated for use by a sex that does not correspond to the student's sex assigned at birth.

Sec. 2. Department of education to update rules. The Department of Education shall update its rules as necessary to conform with the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 20-A, section 6501, subsection 6.

SUMMARY

This bill prohibits a school administrative unit from adopting a policy that permits a student to use a school restroom according to the student's gender identity if that restroom is designated for use by a sex that does not correspond to the student's sex assigned at birth. The bill also directs the Department of Education to update its rules consistent with this legislation.