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Mr. President,

The Business and Labor Committee reports a favorable recommendation on **H.B. 257**, **SEX-BASED DESIGNATIONS FOR PRIVACY, ANTI-BULLYING, AND WOMEN'S OPPORTUNITIES**, by Representative K. Birkeland, with the following amendments:

1. *Page 1, Lines 23 through 24:*

- 23 ▶ requires local education agencies to establish a privacy plan with parents and
24 students in certain cases to address gender identity and fear of bullying;
 ▶ provides indemnification for government entities for certain claims;

2. *Page 8, Line 229:*

- (4) (a) "Open to the general public" means that a privacy space is:
(i) freely accessible to a member of the general public;
(ii) accessible to an individual who has purchased a ticket, paid an entry fee, paid a membership fee, or otherwise paid to access the facility containing the relevant privacy space; or
(iii) accessible to a student of an institution of higher education described in Section 52B-2-101, either freely or as described in Subsection (4)(a)(ii).
(b) "Open to the general public" does not include a privacy space that is:
(i) only accessible to employees of a government entity; or
(ii) any area that is not normally accessible to the public.

229 {~~(4)~~} (5) "Privacy space" means the following spaces in which an individual has an

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3. Page 8, Line 235:

235 {~~(5)~~} (6) "Publicly funded or publicly owned" means that:

4. Page 8, Line 240 through Page 9, Line 242:

240 {~~(6)~~} (7) "Sex-designated" means that a facility, program, or event is
designated specifically

241 for males or females and not the opposite sex.

242 {~~(7)~~} (8) "Single-occupant facility" means a restroom facility or locker
room facility:

5. Page 9, Line 246:

246 {~~(8)~~} (9) "Unisex facility" means a facility that:

6. Page 10, Line 290:

290 The following actions within the public education system constitute a
violation of Section 63G-31-201:

7. Page 14, Lines 407 through 410:

407 63G-31-401. Enforcement -- Indemnification .

408 (1) The attorney general may enforce this chapter against any government entity in
409 violation of this chapter by imposing a fine of up to \$10,000 per violation per day.

410 (2) The attorney general shall deposit fines under Subsection (1) into the General
Fund.

(3) The state shall defend, indemnify, and hold harmless a government entity
acting under color of state law to enforce this chapter for any claims or damages,
including court costs and attorney fees, that:

(a) arise as a result of this chapter; and

(b) are not covered by the government entity's insurance policies or any coverage
agreement that the State Risk Management Fund issues.

Respectfully,

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Curtis S. Bramble
Chair

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