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Rep. Billings Statement on Assembly Session: Attack on Transgender Children

MADISON – Today, the Wisconsin State Assembly met to vote on three bills targeting transgender children and young adults:

- Assembly Bill 377 which prohibits transgender students in schools from participating in athletics under the gender with which they identify.
- Assembly Bill 378 which prohibits transgender university students from participating in athletics under the gender in with which they identify.
- Assembly Bill 465 which prohibits medical intervention for gender transition for children.

"Youth sports have a lifelong, positive impact on a child's physical and mental health. AB 377 and AB 378 are unnecessary, both the WIAA and NCAA have policies in place which are more welcoming and inclusive."

"All children in our state should be welcomed and valued for who they are. Overwhelmingly, Wisconsin medical experts are opposed to this harmful legislation. We should follow their advice. Any medical decision should be left between the children, their parents, and medical professionals, not Legislators."

"Assembly Republicans are once again creating an extreme, politically toxic environment but this time they're putting our children in the middle of it. These bills pander to their extreme base while putting some of the most vulnerable children in our communities at risk."

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