

**Initiative 2023-2024 #142:
Parental Notification of Gender Incongruence****Received by Legislative Council Staff
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The single subject is a parent's right to be notified by public education representatives of their child's gender incongruence.

Be it Enacted by the People of the State of Colorado:

SECTION 1. In Colorado Revised Statutes, add 19-1-132 as follows:

19-1-132. Parental rights - definitions - information regarding gender incongruence.

(1) Definitions. AS USED IN THIS SECTION:

- (a) "CHILD" MEANS A PERSON LESS THAN 18 YEARS OF AGE WHO HAS NOT BEEN EMANCIPATED;
- (b) "GENDER INCONGRUENCE" MEANS A PERCEIVED DIFFERENCE BETWEEN A CHILD'S BIOLOGICAL SEX AND THE CHILD'S PERCEIVED OR DESIRED GENDER;
- (c) "PARENT" MEANS A PERSON WHO HAS LEGAL CUSTODY OF A CHILD, INCLUDING A NATURAL PARENT, ADOPTIVE PARENT, OR LEGAL GUARDIAN;
- (d) "PUBLIC EDUCATION" MEANS ANY PRESCHOOL, PRIMARY OR SECONDARY SCHOOL THAT RECEIVES STATE AND/OR FEDERAL FUNDS.
- (e) "PUBLIC EDUCATION REPRESENTATIVE" MEANS ANY PUBLIC EDUCATION ADMINISTRATOR, TEACHER, NURSE, CONTRACTOR, VOLUNTEER, OR ANY OTHER PERSON ASSOCIATED WITH PUBLIC EDUCATION.

(2) Information regarding gender incongruence. ANY PUBLIC EDUCATION REPRESENTATIVE WHO OBTAINS INFORMATION THAT A CHILD ENROLLED IN THEIR PUBLIC EDUCATION SCHOOL IS EXPERIENCING GENDER INCONGRUENCE SHALL NOTIFY THE CHILD'S PARENTS WITHIN 48 HOURS OF RECEIVING SUCH INFORMATION.

SECTION 2. Effective date - applicability. This measure shall be effective on and after the date it is declared by proclamation of the governor to have been adopted by the registered electors of the state and shall apply to instances occurring on or after the effective date.