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BILL SUMMARY
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Bill No.:	**HB 1449**
Version:	**FA1**
Request Number:	**7766**
Author:	**Rep. Ranson**
Date:	**3/21/2023**
Impact: Please see previous summary of this measure	

Research Analysis

The floor substitute for HB 1449 creates the "Women's Bills of Rights." The purpose of this measure is to clarify state law with respect to how persons of both biological sexes are treated as such under state law. The measure provides that any policy, program, or statute that prohibits sex discrimination will be construed to forbid unfair treatment of females or males in relation to similarly situated members of the opposite sex. This does not prohibit the state or its political subdivisions from establishing distinctions between sexes when the distinctions are related to objectives including biology, privacy, safety or fairness. Locations and circumstances this applies to include prisons, domestic violence shelters, rape crisis centers, athletics and locker rooms, and restrooms. The measure clarifies that "equal" in reference to sex will not be construed to mean same or identical and differentiating between the sexes will not necessarily be construed as treating the sexes unequally. The measure also requires any the state, any political subdivision, or any state agency or department that collects vital statistics to identify any human who is part of the collected data as male or female. The measure provides definitions for "father," "female," "male," "man" or "boy," "mother," "sex," and "woman" or "girl" as well as deletes a definition of "person."

DIFFERENCES BETWEEN FLOOR SUBSTITUTE AND COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE
The floor substitute changes all use of the words "natural person" to "human" and deletes definitions of "natural person" and "person."

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Fiscal Analysis

The measure is currently under review and impact information will be completed.

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Other Considerations

None.