

119TH CONGRESS
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To establish clear and consistent biological definitions of male and female.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

Mr. MARSHALL (for himself, Mr. CASSIDY, Mr. SHEEHY, Mrs. HYDE-SMITH, and Mr. RICKETTS) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on _____

A BILL

To establish clear and consistent biological definitions of male and female.

1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Defining Male and Fe-
5 male Act of 2025”.

6 **SEC. 2. DEFINITION OF “SEX”, “MALE”, “FEMALE”, AND RE-**
7 **LATED TERMS.**

8 Chapter 1 of title 1, United States Code, is amended
9 by adding at the end the following:

1 **“SEC. 9. DEFINITION OF ‘SEX’, ‘MALE’, ‘FEMALE’, AND RE-**
2 **LATED TERMS.**

3 “In determining the meaning of any Act of Congress,
4 or of any ruling, regulation, or interpretation of the var-
5 ious departments and Federal agencies of the United
6 States, the term—

7 “(1) ‘boy’ means a minor human male;

8 “(2) ‘father’ means a male parent;

9 “(3) ‘female’, when used to refer to a natural
10 person, means a person belonging, at conception, to
11 the sex characterized by a reproductive system with
12 the biological function of producing eggs (ova);

13 “(4) ‘gender identity’ means an identity that re-
14 flects an internal and subjective sense of self, discon-
15 nected from biological reality and sex and existing
16 on an indeterminate continuum, and, because such
17 an identity does not provide a meaningful basis for
18 identification for purposes of Federal law, the term
19 shall not be recognized by the Federal Government
20 as a replacement for sex;

21 “(5) ‘girl’ means a minor human female;

22 “(6) ‘male’, when used to refer to a natural
23 person, means a person belonging, at conception, to
24 the biological sex characterized by a reproductive
25 system with the biological function of producing
26 sperm;

1 “(7) ‘man’, except when used as a generic ref-
2 erence to human beings, means an adult human
3 male;

4 “(8) ‘mother’ means a female parent;

5 “(9) ‘sex’, when referring to a natural person’s
6 individual’s sex, means the person’s immutable bio-
7 logical classification as either male or female, as bio-
8 logically determined and defined by this section; and

9 “(10) ‘woman’ means an adult human female.”.