The following listing of bills filed during the 117th (2021-2022) and 118th (2023-2024) sessions of Congress represent the most likely bills to be considered during the 118th Congress. Those bills filed in the 117th Congress must be refiled in the 118th in order to be considered. Those bills without bill numbers have been recently filed or announced as “drafts” with the sponsor’s intention to file final versions in the 118th Congress. Enter the bill title at https://www.congress.gov/ to search for numbers not yet posted. Olympic sports bills are included because these will affect college athletes who participate in Olympic development programs or are now participating or being considered for U.S. national teams. Many bills categorized as NIL or athletes’ rights legislation include gender equity elements.

**NAME, IMAGE, AND LIKENESS (NIL)**


*To prohibit certain entities from barring a student athlete from participating in intercollegiate athletics as a result of such student athlete entering into an endorsement contract, and for other purposes.*


*No deduction shall be allowed for any contribution any portion of which is used by the donor to compensate one or more secondary or post-secondary school athletes for the use of their name, image, or likeness by reason of their status as athletes.*


*To protect student athletes, ensure fair competition and compensation, and preserve intercollegiate athletics, and for other purposes.*


*To provide standards relating to compensation for the use of the name, image, and likeness rights of college athletes and to provide protections for college athletes, and for other purposes.*
**DRAFT NOT YET REINTRODUCED** – Intended House and Senate Companion Bills - 118th Congress (2022-2023)  
**The College Athlete Economic Freedom Act**  
*Sponsor: Sen. Murphy, Christopher [D-CT]*  
*Cosponsors: not yet introduced,*  
*Committees: Senate - Commerce, Science, and Transportation*  
**House Sponsor: Rep. Trahan, Lori [D-MA-3]**  
*Cosponsors: not yet introduced,*  
*Committees: House - Energy and Commerce; Judiciary*  
*To establish name, image, likeness, and athletic reputation rights for college athletes, and for other purposes.*

**DRAFT NOT YET INTRODUCED** – 118th Congress (2023-2024)  
**Fairness, Accountability, and Integrity in Representation of College Sports Act** – Discussion Draft V1  
*Sponsor: Rep. Bilirakis, Gus [FL-12]*  
*Cosponsors: not yet introduced,*  
*Committees: House - Energy and Commerce; Judiciary*  
*To protect the rights of student athletes to covered compensation, to prohibit inducements and provide for transparency with respect to name, image, and likeness agreements, and to establish a committee for intercollegiate athletics, and for other purposes.*

**DRAFT NOT YET INTRODUCED** – 118th Congress (2023-2024)  
**Untitled NIL bill.**  
*Sponsor: Sen. Cruz, Ted [R-TX]*  
*Cosponsors: not yet introduced,*  
*Committees: Senate - Commerce, Science, and Transportation*  
*To protect the name, image, and likeness rights of student athletes and to promote fair competition among intercollegiate athletics, and for other purposes.*

**DRAFT NOT YET INTRODUCED** – 118th Congress (2023-2024)  
**College Sports NIL Clearinghouse Act of 2023.**  
*Sponsor: Sen. Graham, Lindsay [R-NC]*  
*Cosponsors: not yet introduced,*  
*Committees: Senate - Commerce, Science, and Transportation*  
*To establish certain standards for student athlete name, image, and likeness agreements and to allow the establishment of a clearinghouse to regulate name, image, and likeness agreements, and for other purposes.*

**COLLEGE ATHLETES’ RIGHTS AND SAFETY**

**H.R.4371** — 118th Congress (2023-2024)  
**School Sports Safety Study Act**  
*Cosponsors: (1) Committees: House - Energy and Commerce; Education and the Workforce*  
*Latest Action: House - 06/27/2023 Referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, and in addition to the Committee on Education and the Workforce, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within their respective jurisdictions.*  
*To direct the Secretary of Health and Human Services, acting through the Director of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, and in consultation with the Secretary of Education and the President’s Council on Fitness, Sports, and Nutrition, to conduct a study on the causes of deaths and catastrophic injuries related to high school and collegiate sports and formulate recommendations to prevent such deaths and catastrophic injuries, and for other purposes.*

**NIL/Athlete Rights **  
**ENDORSED BY TDG** - Waiting for reintroduction in 118th Congress  
**S.4724** — 117th Congress (2021-2022)  
**College Athletes Bill of Rights**  
*Sponsor: Booker, Cory A. [Sen.-D-NJ] (Introduced 08/02/2022)*  
*Cosponsors: (4) Committees: Senate - Judiciary*  
*Addresses issues of rights to compensation, health and safety standards, and educational opportunities for college athletes including prohibitions of restricting the use of athlete NILs, establishing a Commission on College Athletics to protect athlete interests, health, and wellness and an athlete medical trust*
Companion Bills – College Athlete Right to Organize


Establishes collective bargaining rights for college athletes, defines college athlete on scholarship as employee, specifies that NLRB must consider athletes within an athletic conference consisting of public or private institutions as a bargaining unit with NLRB jurisdiction.


To establish a commission to prevent exertional heat stroke deaths among high school and collegiate athletes, and for other purposes.

**S.4855** — 117th Congress (2021-2022) Collegiate Athlete Compensation Rights Act Sponsor: Wicker, Roger F. [Sen.-R-MS] (Introduced 09/14/2022) Cosponsors: (0)

Protects the rights of student athletes, to provide for transparency and accountability with respect to student athlete name, image, and likeness agreements and for other purposes.

**NCAA ENFORCEMENT/FINANCES**


Companion Bills – NCAA Enforcement **ENDORSED BY TDG** - Working on Constituent Solicitation of Co-Sponsors


To establish due process requirements for the investigation of intercollegiate athletics, and for other purposes.

Companion Bills – NCAA Institution Financial Reporting


To amend the Higher Education Act of 1965 to require institutions of higher education to report revenue generated by each sports team, and for other purposes.
**GENDER EQUITY**

**ENDORSED BY TDG** - Working on Constituent Solicitation of Co-Sponsors

**H.R.2532** — 118th Congress (2023-2024) **Women in NCAA Sports Act** **Sponsor:** Sherrill, Mikie [Rep.-D-NJ-11] (Introduced 04/06/2023) **Cosponsors:** (9) **Committees:** House - Education and the Workforce

**Latest Action:** House - 04/06/2023

*To establish a Commission on Men’s and Women’s Fairness in College Sports*

**Companion Bills – Title IX Expanded Reporting Requirements and Accountability** **ENDORSED BY TDG** - Working on Constituent Solicitation of Co-Sponsors

**S.____** — 117th Congress (2021-22) **Fair Play for Women Act** **Sponsor:** Murphy, Christopher [Sen.-D-CT] (Introduced 12/20/2022) **Cosponsors:** (0) **Committees:** Senate - Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions

**H.R.9615** — 117th Congress (2021-22) **Fair Play for Women Act** **Sponsor:** Adams, Alma S. [Rep.-D-NC-12] (Introduced 12/20/2022) **Cosponsors:** (2) **Committees:** House - Education and Labor

*Expands college and K-12 athletics data reporting requirements; holds athletic programs and governance associations more accountable; improves education and awareness of Title IX rights among athletes, staff, and stakeholders*

**Companion Bills – Title IX Separate Sex Sport**

**S.613** — 118th Congress (2023-2024) **Protection of Women and Girls in Sports Act of 2023** **Sponsor:** Tuberville, Tommy [Sen.-R-AL] (Introduced 03/01/2023) **Cosponsors:** (28) **Committees:** Senate - Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions

**H.R.734** — 118th Congress (2023-2024) **Protection of Women and Girls in Sports Act of 2023** **Sponsor:** Steube, W. Gregory [Rep.-R-FL-17] (Introduced 02/01/2023) **Cosponsors:** (93) **Committees:** House - Education and the Workforce. **Latest Action:** Senate - 04/25/2023 Received in the Senate.

*Passed the House*

*To amend the Education Amendments of 1972 to provide that for purposes of determining compliance with title IX of such Act in athletics, sex shall be recognized based solely on a person’s reproductive biology and genetics at birth.*

**Companion Bills – Sports Participation Based on Gender Identity**

**S. 5** — 118th Congress (2023-2024) **Equality Act** **Sponsor:** Merkley, Jeff [D-OR] (Introduced 06/21/2023) **Committees:** Senate – Judiciary **Latest Action:** Senate - 06/21/2023 Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

**H.R. 15** — 118th Congress (2023-2024) **Equality Act** **Sponsor:** Takano, Mark [D-CA-39] (Introduced 06/21/2023) **Committees:** House - Judiciary; Education and the Workforce; Financial Services; House Administration; Oversight and Accountability **Latest Action:** House - 06/21/2023 Referred to the Committee on the Judiciary, and in addition to the Committees on Education and the Workforce, Financial Services, House Administration, and Oversight and Accountability, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

*Prohibits discrimination based on sex, sexual orientation, and gender identity in areas including public accommodations and facilities, education, federal funding, employment, housing, credit, and the jury system including a mandate requiring access to restrooms, locker rooms, and dressing rooms consistent with the individual’s gender identity. Note: Negates Title IX separate sex exception based on biological sex.*
H.R.5216 — 117th Congress (2021-2022) Protecting Student Athletes From Concussions Act
To promote State requirements for local educational agencies and public elementary and secondary schools relating to the prevention and treatment of concussions suffered by students.

Companion Bills - NGB Equal Pay
S.2333 — 117th Congress (2021-2022) Equal Pay for Team USA Act of 2021
Became law 1-5-2023.
Requires that all athletes representing the United States in international amateur athletic competitions receive equal compensation and benefits for their work, regardless of gender. Each national governing body for a sport must report annually on compliance with this requirement. The bill requires full compliance by January 31, 2022.

RESOLUTIONS

H.Res.298 — 118th Congress (2023-2024) Providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 734) to amend the Education Amendments of 1972 to provide that for purposes of determining compliance with Title IX of such Act in athletics, sex shall be recognized based solely on a person’s reproductive biology and genetics at birth, and providing for consideration of the joint resolution (H.J. Res. 42) disapproving the action of the District of Columbia Council in approving the Comprehensive Policing and Justice Reform Amendment Act of 2022.

H.Con.Res.54 — 118th Congress (2023-2024) Expressing the sense of Congress that Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972 applies to the National Collegiate Athletics Association (NCAA), and the National Collegiate Athletics Association (NCAA) should work to prevent discrimination on the basis of sex in its programs and activities.