

# INTERCOLLEGIATE ATHLETICS BILLS FILED IN THE 119<sup>th</sup> CONGRESS 2025-2026 – Updated as of 7-7-2025

#### A. NIL/ATHLETE EMPLOYEE BILLS

- H.R.2688 "Protecting Student Athletes' Economic Freedom Act of 2025"
   Sponsor: McClain, Lisa C. [R-MI-9] (Introduced 04/07/2025) To prohibit a student athlete from being considered an employee of an institution, a conference, or an association based on participation in certain intercollegiate athletics.
- H.R. (Discussion Draft) "Student Compensation and Opportunity through Rights and Endorsements Act of 2025 SCORE Act" Sponsors: Guthrie, Brett [R-KY-02] and Bilirakis, Gus [R-FL-12] (Released 6-9-2025) To protect the name, image, and likeness rights of student-athletes and to promote fair competition among intercollegiate athletics, and for other purposes.
- <u>S.2147</u>—"College Sports Integrity Act" Sponsor: <u>Paul, Rand [R-KY]</u> (Introduced 6-24-2025) To exempt intercollegiate athletic conferences and interstate intercollegiate athletic associations from the antitrust laws.
- H.R. 2663—"Restore College Sports Act" Sponsor: Baumgartner, Michael [R-WA-05] (Introduced 4-7-2025) To establish the American Collegiate Sports Association, and for other purposes.
- H.R.3847 (Discussion Draft) "Student-athlete Protections and Opportunities through Rights, Transparency, and Safety Act- SPORTS Act" McClain, Lisa C. [R-MI-9] (Introduced 06/09/2025) Establish national standards for how college athletes can earn compensation from their name, image, and likeness (NIL) and strengthen academic, health, and financial protections for collegiate athletics.

## **B. ATHLETES' RIGHTS AND SAFETY**

• S.74 — "Fair Play for Girls Act" **Sponsor:** Blackburn, Marsha [Sen.-R TN] (Introduced 01/13/2025) A bill to require the Attorney General to submit to Congress a report relating to violence against women in athletics.

## C. NCAA REFORM, ENFORCEMENT, AND FINANCES

<u>S.955 and H.R.3976</u>—"NCAA Accountability Act of 2025" <u>Blackburn, Marsha</u>
 [<u>Sen.-R-TN</u>] and <u>Kustoff, David [Rep.-R-TN-8]</u> \*\*ENDORSED BY TDG\*\* (establish due process requirements for the investigation of intercollegiate athletics rules violations)

• H.R. #TBD—"Restore College Sports Act" <u>Baumgartner</u>, <u>Michael [Rep. R-WA]</u>
Creates a national commission to replace the NCAA, rules for athlete compensation and governance, caps coach salaries and halts arms race spencing

## D. SEX EQUITY

- <u>S.543</u> and <u>H.R.1183</u> 119th Congress (2025-2026) Fair Play for Women Act Sponsor: <u>Sen. Murphy, Christopher [D-CT]</u> and <u>Adams, Alma S. [Rep.-D-NC-12]</u> (Introduced 02/11/2025) \*\*ENDORSED BY TDG\*\*

  To prohibit certain discrimination against athletes on the basis of sex by State athletic associations, intercollegiate athletic associations, and covered institutions of higher education, and for other purposes.
- Protection of Women and Girls in Sports Act of 2025; Sponsor: Rep. Steube, W. Gregory [R-FL-17] Passed: 1-14-25 (prohibits school athletic programs from allowing individuals whose biological sex at birth was male to participate in programs that are for women or girls)
- Protection of Women and Girls in Sports Act of 2025; Sponsor: <u>Tuberville</u>, <u>Tommy [Sen.-R-AL]</u> <u>Failed:3-3-25</u> (prohibits school athletic programs from allowing individuals whose biological sex at birth was male to participate in programs that are for women or girls, <a href="https://www.congress.gov/bill/119th-congress/house-bill/1552/text?s=1&r=5">https://www.congress.gov/bill/119th-congress/house-bill/1552/text?s=1&r=5</a> but <a href="bill is not identical to H.R. 28">bill is not identical to H.R. 28</a>)
- H.Res. 47 and S.Res. 22— Resolution Concerning the National Collegiate
   Athletic Association policy for eligibility in women' sports; Sponsors: Rep.
   <u>Steube, W. Gregory [R-FL-17]</u> and <u>Blackburn, Marsha [Sen.-R-TN]</u> (calls on NCAA)
   to revoke its transgender student-athlete eligibility policy and require its member
   conferences to conform to a biological sex-based policy)

#### E. GAMBLING

- S. 454 and H.R. (# pending) "Gambling Addiction, Recovery, Investment, and Treatment Act – GRIT Act" Sen. Blumenthal, Richard [D-CT] and Rep. Salinas, Andrea [D-OR-6] (award formula grants to states for gambling addiction programs)
- H.R. 1552—"Providing Responsible Oversight and Transparency and Ensuring
   Collgiate Trust for Student Athletes Act" or the "PROTECT Student Athletes Act"
   Baumgartner, Michael [Rep. R-WA] (Introduced 2-25-2025) To prohibit proposition
   bets made with respect to the performance of a student athlete, and for other
   purposes.