



HOUSE HEALTH COMMITTEE

VOTING MEETING

Tuesday, October 29th, 2025

9:00am

G-50, Irvis Office Building
Harrisburg, PA

1. Call to Order

2. Attendance

3. **HR305 PN0258 (McNeill)**

Limits patient cost-sharing for insulin.

SB9 PN0177 (J.Ward)

Defines the composition of teams for student athletes and creates a cause of action for students and schools.

4. Any other business that may come before the committee.

5. Adjournment

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES DEMOCRATIC COMMITTEE BILL ANALYSIS

Bill No:	HB0305 PN0258	Prepared By:	Patrick O'Rourke (717) 787-4296,6711
Committee:	Health	Executive Director:	Erika Fricke
Sponsor:	McNeill, Jeanne		
Date:	9/4/2025		

A. Brief Concept

Establishes a \$35 cap on patient cost-sharing for insulin.

C. Analysis of the Bill

House Bill 305 amends the The Insurance Company Law of 1921 to limit patient out-of-pocket expenses to a maximum cost of \$35 for each 30-day supply of insulin, regardless of what kind of insulin is prescribed, or the amount purchased.

Insurance companies can set patient cost-sharing at less than \$35 per 30 day supply if they wish.

The Pennsylvania Insurance Department (PID) may pass regulations to implement the act.

The Office of Attorney General (OAG) must investigate insulin pricing to monitor compliance and determine if additional patient protections are necessary. In this investigation, the OAG must review business practices, pricing, data and other information regarding drug manufacturers' roles in the current pricing of insulin.

The OAG must submit its findings to the General Assembly within a year of passage of this act. The report must include a summary of market practices, policy recommendations, and other relevant information.

Effective Date:

60 days.

G. Relevant Existing Laws

The Insurance Company Law of 1921 establishes regulates the business of insurance in the Commonwealth, including the organization, supervision, and conduct of insurance companies to protect policyholders and ensure financial stability.

E. Prior Session (Previous Bill Numbers & House/Senate Votes)

2023-2024 Legislation Session

- [HB 534 PN 505](#) (McNeill)
 - \$35 cap on insulin.
 - Referred to House Insurance Committee on 3/17/2023.

2021-2022 Legislative Session

- [HB 460 PN 421](#) (McNeil)
 - \$35 cap on insulin.
 - Referred to House Insurance Committee on 2/9/2021.

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THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL

No. 305 Session of 2025

INTRODUCED BY McNEILL, CERRATO, SAMUELSON, WAXMAN, PIELLI,
KENYATTA, KHAN, BOROWSKI, ISAACSON AND SANCHEZ,
JANUARY 23, 2025

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON HEALTH, JANUARY 23, 2025

AN ACT

1 Amending the act of May 17, 1921 (P.L.682, No.284), entitled "An
2 act relating to insurance; amending, revising, and
3 consolidating the law providing for the incorporation of
4 insurance companies, and the regulation, supervision, and
5 protection of home and foreign insurance companies, Lloyds
6 associations, reciprocal and inter-insurance exchanges, and
7 fire insurance rating bureaus, and the regulation and
8 supervision of insurance carried by such companies,
9 associations, and exchanges, including insurance carried by
10 the State Workmen's Insurance Fund; providing penalties; and
11 repealing existing laws," in casualty insurance, providing
12 for coverage for insulin.

13 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
14 hereby enacts as follows:

15 Section 1. The act of May 17, 1921 (P.L.682, No.284), known
16 as The Insurance Company Law of 1921, is amended by adding a
17 section to read:

18 Section 635.11. Coverage for Insulin.--(a) A health
19 insurance policy providing prescription coverage of insulin may
20 not impose on a covered individual a copayment, coinsurance or
21 deductible of more than thirty-five dollars (\$35) per thirty-day
22 supply of insulin, regardless of the amount or type of insulin

1 needed to fill the covered individual's prescription.

2 (b) Nothing in this section shall prevent a health insurance
3 policy from offering a lesser monthly price for a thirty-day
4 supply of insulin than the price provided under subsection (a).

5 (c) The Insurance Department may promulgate regulations as
6 necessary to implement and enforce the maximum price established
7 under this section.

8 (d) This section shall not apply to the following types of
9 policies:

10 (1) Accident only.

11 (2) Fixed indemnity.

12 (3) Limited benefit.

13 (4) Credit.

14 (5) Dental.

15 (6) Vision.

16 (7) Specified disease.

17 (8) Medicare supplement.

18 (9) CHAMPUS (Civilian Health and Medical Program for the
19 Uniform Services) supplement.

20 (10) Long-term care or disability income.

21 (11) Workers' compensation.

22 (12) Automobile medical payment.

23 (e) The Attorney General shall investigate pricing of
24 prescription insulin drugs to ensure that adequate pricing is
25 achieved and to determine if additional consumer protections are
26 necessary. As part of this investigation, the Attorney General
27 shall gather, compile and analyze information concerning
28 business practices, pricing, data and other information
29 regarding insulin prescription drug manufacturers' roles in the
30 current prices of insulin prescription drugs.

1 (f) The Attorney General shall submit the findings of the
2 investigation under subsection (e) in a report to the General
3 Assembly, which shall be made accessible to the public no later
4 than one year after the effective date of this subsection. The
5 report must include:

6 (1) A summary of insulin pricing practices and factors that
7 contribute to the pricing of health insurance plans.

8 (2) Public policy recommendations to control and prevent
9 overpricing of prescription insulin drugs made available to
10 consumers in this Commonwealth.

11 (3) Any other information the Attorney General finds
12 necessary to complete the report.

13 Section 2. This act shall take effect in 60 days.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

DEMOCRATIC COMMITTEE BILL ANALYSIS

Bill No: SB0009 PN0177
Committee: Education
Sponsor: Ward, Judy
Date: 3/25/2025

Prepared By: Alycia Laureti, MPA
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Executive Director: Kathryn Krueger

A. Brief Concept

Establishes the Fairness in Women's Sports Act.

C. Analysis of the Bill

SB9 creates a freestanding act entitled the Fairness in Women's Sports Act:

Designation of Athletic Teams:

- An interscholastic, intercollegiate, intramural or club athletic team or sport which is sponsored by a public school entity, a public institution of higher education or any school or institution where students or teams compete against a public school entity or public institution of higher education must be designated as one of the following based on sex:
 - Male, men or boys.
 - Female, women or girls.
 - Coed or mixed.

Prohibition:

- An athletic team or sport designated for females, women or girls may not be open to students of the male sex.

Protection for Educational Institutions:

- A government entity, licensing or accrediting organization or an athletic association may not entertain a complaint, open an investigation, or take any adverse action against a school or institution of higher education for maintaining separate interscholastic, intercollegiate, intramural or club athletic teams or sports for students of the female sex.

Cause of Action:

- **Deprivation of Opportunity:**
 - A student who is deprived of an athletic opportunity or who suffers a direct or indirect harm because of a violation may bring a cause of action for injunctive relief, damages, psychological, emotional, and physical harm suffered, attorney fees and costs and any other relief available under law against the school or institution of higher education.
- **Retaliation:**
 - A student who is subject to retaliation or other adverse action by a school, institution of higher education or athletic association or organization as a result of reporting a violation of this act to an employee or representative of the school, institution or athletic association or to any Federal or State agency with oversight of schools or institutions of higher education in Pennsylvania may bring a cause of action for injunctive relief, damages, attorney fees and costs and any other relief available under law against the school, institution or athletic association.
- **School's Cause of Action:**
 - A school or institution of higher education that suffers a direct or indirect harm as a result of a violation of this act may bring a cause of action for injunctive relief,

damages and any other relief available under law against the government entity, licensing or accrediting organization or athletic association or organization.

- **Limitation:**

- A person may not bring a civil action under this section later than two years after the day on which the harm underlying the cause of action occurs.

Severability:

- If a part of this act is found invalid, all valid parts that are severable from the invalid part will remain in effect.

Terms:

Public institution of higher education- One of the following:

- community college operating under Article XIX-A
- rural regional college established under Article XIX-G of the Public School Code of 1949.
- university within the State System of Higher Education under Article XX-A of the Public School Code of 1949.
- State-related institution as defined in section 2001-C of the Public School Code of 1949.
- Thaddeus Stevens College of Technology.
- Pennsylvania College of Technology.

Public school entity- One of the following operating under the Public School Code of 1949:

- school district.
- intermediate unit.
- area career and technical school.
- charter school, regional charter school or cyber charter school.

Sex- a person's immutable characteristics of the reproductive system that define the individual as male or female, as determined by anatomy and genetics existing at the time of birth.

Effective Date:

60 days

G. Relevant Existing Laws

Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972 (Title IX) is a federal civil rights law that prohibits discrimination on the basis of sex in all education programs and activities operated by recipients of federal funds, including colleges, universities, and public school districts. Title IX regulations also contains specific provisions governing athletic programs and the awarding of athletic scholarships. Specifically, if an institution operates or sponsors an athletic program, it must provide equal athletic opportunities for members of both sexes.

E. Prior Session (Previous Bill Numbers & House/Senate Votes)

2025-2026 Legislative Session:

HB158 (Gleim)- referred to House Education.

2023-2024 Legislative Session:

HB216 (Gleim)- referred to House Education, with no further action.

2021-2022 Legislative Session:

HB972 (Gleim)-

House Education Committee- Passed 15-9

Final Passage- 115-84 Rep. Stephens (R) voted No, Reps. Burns, Neilson, Rozzi, Sainato voted Yes

Senate Education Committee- Passed 7-4

Final Passage- 30-20

Veto No. 7

SB1191 (J. Ward)- referred to House Education, with no further action.

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THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

SENATE BILL

No. 9

Session of
2025

INTRODUCED BY J. WARD, PHILLIPS-HILL, K. WARD, BAKER, BROOKS,
BARTOLOTTA, PENNYCUICK, BROWN, CULVER, KEEFER, ROTHMAN,
MASTRIANO, LANGERHOLC, HUTCHINSON, MARTIN, STEFANO, DUSH AND
FARRY, FEBRUARY 3, 2025

REFERRED TO EDUCATION, FEBRUARY 3, 2025

AN ACT

1 Providing for sport activities in public institutions of higher
2 education and public school entities to be expressly
3 designated male, female or coed; and creating causes of
4 action for harm suffered by designation.

5 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
6 hereby enacts as follows:

7 Section 1. Short title.

8 This act shall be known and may be cited as the Fairness in
9 Women's Sports Act.

10 Section 2. Definitions.

11 The following words and phrases when used in this act shall
12 have the meanings given to them in this section unless the
13 context clearly indicates otherwise:

14 "Public institution of higher education." One of the
15 following:

16 (1) A community college operating under Article XIX-A of
17 the act of March 10, 1949 (P.L.30, No.14), known as the
18 Public School Code of 1949.

(2) A rural regional college established under Article XIX-G of the Public School Code of 1949.

(3) An university within the State System of Higher Education under Article XX-A of the Public School Code of 1949.

(4) A State-related institution as defined in section 2001-C of the Public School Code of 1949.

(5) The Thaddeus Stevens College of Technology.

(6) The Pennsylvania College of Technology.

"Public school entity." One of the following operating under the Public School Code of 1949:

(1) A school district.

(2) An intermediate unit.

(3) An area career and technical school.

(4) A charter school, regional charter school or cyber charter school.

"Sex." A person's immutable characteristics of the reproductive system that define the individual as male or female, as determined by anatomy and genetics existing at the time of birth.

Section 3. Designation of athletic teams and sports.

(a) Designation.--Interscholastic, intercollegiate, intramural or club athletic teams or sports that are sponsored by a public school entity, a public institution of higher education or any school or institution where students or teams compete against a public school entity or public institution of higher education must be expressly designated as one of the following based on sex:

(1) Male, men or boys.

(2) Female, women or girls.

1 (3) Coed or mixed.

2 (b) Prohibition.--Athletic teams or sports designated for
3 females, women or girls under subsection (a)(2) may not be open
4 to students of the male sex.

5 (c) Limitations on restriction.--Nothing in this section
6 shall be construed to restrict the eligibility of a student to
7 participate in an interscholastic, intercollegiate, intramural
8 or club athletic team or sport designed for the student's sex or
9 designated coed or mixed.

10 Section 4. Protection for educational institutions.

11 A government entity, licensing or accrediting organization or
12 an athletic association or organization may not entertain a
13 complaint, open an investigation or take any other adverse
14 action against a school or institution of higher education for
15 maintaining separate interscholastic, intercollegiate,
16 intramural or club athletic teams or sports for students of the
17 female sex.

18 Section 5. Cause of action.

19 (a) Deprivation of opportunity.--A student who is deprived
20 of an athletic opportunity or who suffers a direct or indirect
21 harm as a result of a known violation of section 3 may bring a
22 cause of action for injunctive relief; damages; psychological,
23 emotional and physical harm suffered; attorney fees and costs
24 and any other relief available under law against the school or
25 institution of higher education.

26 (b) Retaliation.--A student who is subject to retaliation or
27 other adverse action by a school, institution of higher
28 education or athletic association or organization as a result of
29 reporting a violation of section 3 to an employee or
30 representative of the school, institution or athletic

1 association or organization or to any Federal or State agency
2 with oversight of schools or institutions of higher education in
3 Pennsylvania may bring a cause of action for injunctive relief,
4 damages, attorney fees and costs and any other relief available
5 under law against the school, institution or athletic
6 association or organization.

7 (c) School's cause of action.--A school or institution of
8 higher education that suffers a direct or indirect harm as a
9 result of a violation of section 4 may bring a cause of action
10 for injunctive relief, damages and any other relief available
11 under law against the government entity, licensing or
12 accrediting organization or athletic association or
13 organization.

14 (d) Limitation.--A person may not bring a civil action under
15 this section later than two years after the day on which the
16 harm underlying the cause of action occurs.

17 Section 6. Severability.

18 If a part of this act is found invalid, all valid parts that
19 are severable from the invalid part shall remain in effect. If a
20 part of this act is invalid in one or more of its applications,
21 the part remains in effect in all valid applications that are
22 severable from the invalid applications.

23 Section 7. Effective date.

24 This act shall take effect in 60 days.