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## **Rep. Ehardt Helping to Spread Fairness in Women's Sports**

**BOISE, Idaho** – Representative Barbara Ehardt is working to spread ideals of fairness in women's sports across the country. Ehardt led the charge to pass House Bill 500 in Idaho last year. Since then, she's testified in other states to help pass similar legislation, including South Dakota, where it is awaiting the signature of the Governor, and Mississippi.

"I benefited from both Title IX and those women who paved a path forward for me to have the opportunities that I have had. It has been important for me to do my part to continue to make sure that the girls and women who follow will have those same opportunities," said Rep. Ehardt, who played Division I Women's basketball and then spent 15 years coaching Division I Women's Basketball at four different institutions. "The simple fact is that we cannot compete against the inherent physiological advantages that biological boys and men have over girls and women. That is why it has been gratifying to be involved in helping so many states as they work to protect their female athletes. The Fairness in Women's Sports Act ensures that our female athletes always step on to a level playing field, and that should be the case in every state in the Union."

Idaho's Fairness in Women's Sports Act is currently awaiting a hearing in the Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals.

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