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Considering the addition of sexual orientation and gender identity to Title IX because of the word “sex” being in the law, happens to be an example of one of my main concerns about law these days. Words have specific meanings, which is why there are lawyers who specialize in contracts. They attempt to make things iron-clad with their wording, removing all ambiguity, if possible. We can not take words, knowing full well their original meaning and intention, and later try to twist and “torture” them to mean something else. When Title IX was passed, the meaning of the word “sex” was clearly understood to be simply male and female. That should be adhered to. If sexual orientation and gender identity are to be added, then it should be done by the legislature. An executive order trying to amend an existing law, takes away the separation of powers that the framers of our Constitution so intelligently imposed. Let the lawmakers, duly elected by the people, do their jobs in either passing or rejecting such an amendment to Title IX.

Respectfully,
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