



Questioning the necessity of Title IX

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While Title IX supporters celebrate the 40 anniversary of the federal law that prohibits sexbased discrimination in education, one conservative analyst is skeptical.

Neal McCluskey of the <u>Cato Institute</u> says attitudes toward women were beginning to change for the better, even when the law was signed into law in 1972. And today, more women are enrolled in higher education than men.

"The fact that women are now 57 percent of college enrollees means that any college that would deny them the things they wanted would be crazy," McCluskey remarks. "They'd cut off ... more than half of potential college students."

So, he suggests Title IX is no longer needed.

"There are almost no examples of schools blatantly discriminating, or even with a good, strong reason to suspect that they are trying to discriminate against women," he tells OneNewsNow. "So, knowing that, Title IX probably needs to go."

The Cato Institute spokesman says Title IX has grown into a huge, bureaucratic club used by special interest groups to intimidate and threaten schools in order to get what they want.