

I am standing before you today as a proud transgender woman. I am here to stand up for the children that some in your assembly have sought to strip them of their medical rights. This is an issue that needs to be left between the parents of these children, these children, and their doctors. Despite some of the claims we are not a new phenomenon. I ask you who would want to this for themselves let alone their children? Do you think I want to fear for my life? Do you think I want to worry about what rights I'll have access to because of my gender identity? No one would willingly choose this and that's just it... THIS IS NOT A CHOICE THIS IS WHO WE ARE. We are being attacked from the conservative right trying to silence our voices and put us back in the closet. They are trying to make sure that the next generation of trans individuals will not be seen and heard by trying to stop them before they can even get started. I assure this will fail and is akin to torture. Denying someone who desperately needs this care is disgusting and you should be ashamed of yourselves. There is science here there are facts and major medical organizations that support us and who we are. This is the time to stand up and fight... Death before detransition.