

Hello everyone. My name is Bradie Anderson. I'm 14 years old and have lived in Ohio my whole life. I have an older sister and a twin brother as well, as both sets of my grandparents, we all have lived in Ohio all of our lives. What this bill would mean to my family is that we would have to move. And not only that, it means I wouldn't be able to play soccer anymore. I worked so hard to be on the Team last year and it gave me an opportunity to make friends PERIOD I made a few Really good ones and I would hate to not be able to play anymore because of some political game that politicians think is just politics, it's not. It's destroying trans kids' lives across Ohio. My Grandpa will be turning 80 in January, and if this bill passes, he will not be able to see me, my brother or my sister any longer because we will move out-of-state. This isn't something new. These bills are being passed all over the country because the trans community has been being used as political pawns for quite some time now. It also isn't lost on me that you would put the athlete ban with the healthcare ban. Because people didn't want the healthcare ban to pass. Because no one has the right to tell parents how to raise their own children. Do any of you have children? Could you imagine the government taking away your rights as a parent? As if they know what's better for me than my own parents? I haven't met most of you before this very day. And you want to make medical decisions for me? Why? Politicians don't know me better than my parents. But now you're in the doctor's office making decisions on my behalf? Think about that when you vote on this bill. Would you want the government to make decisions for your children?

Hello, I'm Anne Bradie's mother. And I've spoken before on other anti trans bills. And I'm here today to support my daughter. Do I think it will matter to any of you? Who knows? It doesn't seem like the people in the past who've spoken up have mattered. How many proponent testimonies vs. opponent testimonies have been turned in? But it's still doesn't matter. There are few people dead set on ruining the lives of transgender children in Ohio and their families. And everyone just goes along with it? Why does nothing matter? Facts and logic from opponents of this bill don't seem to make one bit of difference to any of you. My life is in shambles. This is all-consuming and frankly. None of this should be happening. Transgender people have been around forever. And no matter how many times you do this and it has failed, you keep coming back for more. So the only conclusion I have come to is you simply don't want these children to live. Because that's what this bill means.