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RE: Sub HB 68 - oppositional testimony

Dear Chair Roegner, Ranking Member Hicks-Hudson, and the remaining committee members :

I am writing to respectfully request that you vote no on HB68 and instead of enshrining dangerous, anti-liberty language and viewpoints into law, allow the various governing bodies to do work as intended – both athletic associations and medical associations.

My name is James, and I am a lifeline resident of Ohio. I briefly studied abroad and attended higher education out of state, but I returned to Ohio because it's my home. But bills like HB68 do not reflect Ohio values and they make this state a less safe place to live, study, work, and visit.

I'm asking you to stand up to politician pressures and do what's right – protect one of Ohio's most vulnerable population, gender variant children. These bills have a ripple effect and will impact more than just trans people. It will affect cis children, too.

This child is me. What sports team would you have had me play for?



Please vote no.

Respectfully submitted, James Knapp