

House Judiciary Committee Chair Jim Thomas, Committee Vice Chair D.J. Swearingen, Ranking Member Eric Synenberg, and members of the Judiciary Committee,

Thank you for allowing me to testify today. My legal name is Suzanne, but my preferred name is Quinn.

I am a drag artist, and a drag/burlesque show host/producer named Mizer Malicious. I am also a nonbinary/trans masculine identifying individual, although my presentation appears "feminine".

With the vague language of this proposed bill, if I failed to shave my natural facial hair (I am not on any hormones) or disguise my deeper voice, I could be considered "presenting" incorrectly. Even if I perform in adult spaces as outlined by the bill, I could be arrested leaving a venue if I'm still in makeup because a minor could be present. Under this bill, a female comedian with short hair, small breasts, a deeper voice, wearing pants could be arrested.

I ask you, how would you enforce such a bill? Is there a quantifiable amount of makeup? Is there a skirt length minimum? Are we to have a state wide dress code? Or will we simply just decide someone looks to queer?

I understand the worry about exposing minors to unsafe environments. Most all ages drag shows are tamer than a half time routine done by cheerleaders at a football game, but I'm guessing we excuse that. Less drag queens are found to be child molesters than priests, and yet the law exempts them.

There is no evidence to suggest drag shows turn children gay or trans or cause them any trauma. There is no proof that being trans is dangerous. This bill, simply put, is a mask of hate and ignorance disguised as concern.

In conclusion, you must vote NO on this unconstitutional, unlawful bill. Or you set a precedence that it's okay to ignore the law if it defends a lifestyle you personally don't agree with, but causes no harm to you.

Thank you.