

Dear Elected Members of the Ohio Senate,

I am writing today to express my dissent to proposed language in the Budget bill regarding biological sex markers on Ohio state IDs. As a life-long Ohioan it is disappointing, and startling to see such a left turn in a bill regarding the state's budget. The proposed language regarding biological sex markers is unnecessary, Ohio has never done this in the past. What is the need now? This will increase the amount of Ohioans leaving the state, and decrease the number of out of state visitors coming in. This bill is not only bad for Ohioans health, but for tourism. What level of misdemeanor would it be to carry an ID that matches the person in the picture? What does this mean for law enforcement, can they just stop anyone? Will my tax dollars be wasted on investigating the genitalia of my neighbor instead of reducing Hamilton Counties gun violence rates? This proposal is not only cruel, but entirely unnecessary.

Sincerely,  
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