

House Education Committee Representatives,

Please REJECT HB 183!!

This is a terrible bill. and it makes no sense if you have ever seen or met a transgender male or female.

Unfortunately, gendered restrooms/locker rooms/housing are still prevalent. So we must navigate how to use them when there are no other options available. This can be a challenge for our Trans non-binary siblings. However, it should be straightforward for our trans-binary siblings. Either way this bill is not the answer.

This bill is not the answer, especially for our "Trans-binary" siblings. With this bill you would have a man (especially true at the college level where they have fully transitioned), with full facial hair, a manly body type, low voice, a male name, and living as a man, to use a women's restroom/locker room/housing - just because the dr that birthed them thought they were a girl because they didn't have a penis - even though they had no other information???? As a woman using a gender-specific space, this would be unnerving to see this stranger man enter the women's restroom. Also, you want a woman (outwardly you see perhaps long hair, a dress, breasts, and a gentile build) to use the male restroom. Of course, all trans people or cis-gendered people don't look this way. You will also have manly-looking women using the women's restroom because they are a woman harrassed and you will have feminine-looking men using the men's restroom harassed more than they already are with this bill.

Even at the elementary level where these kids have not made any changes to their body or hormones except perhaps blocking them, this is ridiculous. To expect a girl who is living as a girl to use a male restroom or vice versa is ridiculous.

In my opinion, we really need to get rid of all single-gendered spaces for this purpose and create more private spaces that any gender can use. This will take money that no one has. So, we have to live with what we have.

The government has no right to get involved with this. Adults should be able to choose which gendered space works best for them. Children and youth should be guided by parents and local administrators and should also be allowed to use the space that aligns with their day-to-day gender expression.

Please REJECT HB 183. The government has no place to get involved in this matter.

Thank you

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