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To whom it may concern:

Thank you for taking the time to read my testimony and consider the position from which I write. I am a parent, a teacher, a woman with a deep Christian faith from a conservative background, and have had the privilege of watching a family go through the very difficult journey of watching their dear daughter transition to an equally dear son. They did not choose this path, they would have done anything in their power to spare their child this experience, but the outcome was clear from the earliest years of this child's life. Before knowing this family and caring deeply for this child, I would have been on the opposite side of this bill, but I write today as an opponent of HB 68 and encourage you to vote against it. Passage of this bill would take decisions that should be family decisions made thoughtfully, child by child, family by family, and removes the rights of parents. For that simple reason, I ask you to vote no on HB 68.

Sincerely,

A. Barkham