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RE: LD1134 – An Act to Prohibit Males from Participating in Female Sports or Using Female Facilities

My name is Douglass Moore, and I live in Sabattus. I am testifying in opposition to LD1134.

Testimony in Opposition to LD 1134 – The “Bathroom Boogeyman Protection Act”

I am writing in strong opposition to LD 1134, a bill that seems to be less about protecting women and more about criminalizing trans existence with a locker room twist.

This bill would prohibit "males"—which, let's be honest, is code for *trans women*—from participating in female sports or using female facilities. Because nothing says “small government” like checking everyone's genitals at the YMCA.

Let's take a moment to appreciate the dystopian brilliance here: LD 1134 deputizes the state to determine who is “female enough” to pee in one bathroom versus another. What could go wrong? Other than, you know, harassment, humiliation, and possibly getting sued into oblivion.

Let's also not pretend this is about safety. If we were serious about protecting women, we'd pass bills about domestic violence shelters, reproductive healthcare, or sexual assault prevention. But no—this bill suggests the true enemy is trans women using the elliptical machine or joining JV soccer. Terrifying!

Trans women aren't a threat to women's sports. Underfunding, discrimination, and lack of access are. Trans people aren't a danger in restrooms. The people passing bills like this are.

LD 1134 is fear-based legislation, weaponizing fake moral panic against real human beings. And history will not be kind to lawmakers who decided that the best use of their power was to make life harder for already marginalized people.

Please vote NO on LD 1134. Let trans people live, pee, and play sports like everyone else. It's really not that scary.