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I am writing to ask that you reject LD 868: An Act to Ensure Equity and Safety in Athletics, Restrooms, Changing Rooms and Housing at Elementary, Secondary and Postsecondary Schools

No only would this bill ban transgender girls from school sports, a move that unfairly takes away the option for healthy participation in extracurricular activities away from a tiny percentage of the population in order to throw red meat at the culture warriors and moral panic pearl clutches, it goes further than other bills before you today by taking away children's right to use the bathrooms and locker rooms that align with their gender identity. This will create at best an extremely uncomfortable and at worst a dangerous environment for these kids, forcing them to either refrain from receiving themselves for eight hours or more, or potentially exposing them to violence at the hands of those in the bathroom. It will also expose all girls and women to invasive gender policing, whenever anyone decides that the girl or woman using the bathroom does not conform to their ideas of gender expression. Please reject this cruel bill.