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I am a parent. This proposal is utter nonsense.

If it passes, I would have to sign a form to allow my child's teachers to call my child by a nickname. No child named Andrew would be permitted to be called Andy without written authorization, for example.

I'm aware that the purpose of this bill is to curtail the autonomy of transgender young people. It certainly would have that result, and it ought not to pass for that reason alone. But in addition, my child's teachers and I have better things to do than create extra administrative tasks that have no purpose other than to limit children's creativity and identity formation.

I urge you to vote "ought not to pass."