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Dear Senator Carney, Representative Kuhn, and Honorable Members of the Judiciary Committee,

I am writing to voice my strong opposition to LD 1002 - An Act to Protect Children's Identification by Requiring Public Schools to Use the Name and Gender Specified on a Child's Birth Certificate

The changes in this document are discriminatory, unnecessary, and help no one. The continued focus on transgender issues, particularly at the elementary, secondary and postsecondary school level is causing unimaginable harm to students and emboldening bullies to harass not only the trans community but girls as well, with taunting accusations. The changes are a solution looking for a problem that doesn't exist and they are creating problems that didn't exist before politicians decided to elevate this targeted discrimination.

Thank you for your consideration.