

Testimony - Liam Bolduc

Greetings Senator Carney, Representative Moonen, and members of the Judiciary Committee

My name is Liam. Although, like many others who are like me, that is not the name I was assigned at birth. I, unfortunately, have lost friends I once held close to suicide. Did you know 82% of transgender youth have considered ending their lives? I would like to live in a world where that number is significantly lower. Helping transgender youth to get the gender-affirming care they so desperately need can help that dream become a reality. Something to look forward to and achieving comfort and safety in your own body, especially in the hardest years of your life, is essential. Instead of going on saying the benefits of this care, I am going to say the names of ones I have lost to the battle against themselves.

Faye

Mars

Rei-lynn

Julie

May they rest in peace. Thank you for listening, I hope you take my words into consideration.