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To the Judiciary committee:

I must speak up for the trans community and its youth, especially. It is imperative that they be allowed to BE with the gender with which they identify. This is NOT a matter of choice any more than being gay or hetero. To deny them access to participation in all ways with the gender they MUST align with, is cruel, ignorant, based on misguided interpretation of religion, and purely, fear based. To pass a law banning them from sports, bathroom and locker rooms, prisons, or any other space or activity in the world is a complete and utter primitive relapse of our human intellect. If there is ever a need for protection of everyone involved in any matter of concern, it needs to be by case; certainly NOT indiscriminate legislation!

This discussion by the legislature is appalling and unfair to the MOST maligned and misunderstood group of human kind. I am so disgusted that it is such a foremost issue of those most uninformed. I wish I could use stronger language, like shame and bully, but it would probably discredit my letter.

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