

Opponent Testimony of HB2238
For the Senate Education Committee
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Chair Baumgardner and Members of the Committee, thank you for the opportunity to provide opponent written testimony on House Bill 2238.

I am a lifelong resident of Kansas and a cisgender woman. I believe this bill will cause great harm to all women, trans and cis alike.

All children deserve the same opportunities to participate in sports. This bill unfairly targets an incredibly small number of students. There is no evidence that trans athletes perform better than their cisgender peers on average. This bill relies on outdated models of gender and sex that go against the consensus of the medical community.

Trans children deserve the same opportunities to participate in their communities and schools. This bill only serves to bully a small number of children. Thank you for considering my testimony.