

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.

My name is Matthew Millar, I'm a Kansas resident and I stand in opposition to HB2238.

I believe in equality for all children. That every child has the right to live and thrive and this bill seeks to remove those rights from an already marginalized and vulnerable group.

Advocates for this bill will cite this as a way to create a level playing field for everyone, stating genetic differences between male and female athletes create an unfair advantage for one side or the other. This has been proven wrong repeatedly.

However, If we feel the need to bring up the differences between athletes as a metric for how they perform, then all athletes on those teams should then fall into the same category. The only way to ensure a level playing field would be to make sure all competitors are the same, in height, weight, age, as well as sex.

All children, regardless of any genetic or environmental factor deserve to be happy, to socialize, and to grow and develop in a nurturing environment with equal opportunity.

I am asking you to please stop HB2238 and I thank you for your consideration.