

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 Rose and I am a transgender woman. This bill has no place in Kansas, as it represents hate and gross overreach by the government. My testimony is to speak to the damage this can and will cause.

The exclusion of trans children from daily life impacts all of us. Whether it be your children asking why their best friend had to suddenly leave the state or families being uprooted and moving tax payers out of state. As a trans child myself I would have loved to join a sports team, it would have changed the trajectory of my life. The long lasting friendships and opportunities that could have been gained through this for multiple people would be lost and would help to set down roots for good people.

I see no alternative strategies, the only positive suggestion is not allowing this bill to proceed. No one is free until we are all free.

In summary this bill has no place here and will only lead to negatives for the state. Thank you for your time.