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Proponent of SB 255, written testimony only

Chairman Baumgardner and Committee Members,

I am a proponent of SB 255 and urge your support as well.

You must protect the girls by passing this Bill. How can we allow our female student athletes to be subjected to males identifying as females in the girl's locker room and worse than that, make the girls share a room with a boy who identifies as a female? The world has truly gotten bizarre but that doesn't mean Kansas has to be, as well. To think we even need to discuss such a thing is not normal...it's crazy.

This is a common sense bill and needs to be a bipartisan effort to protect the girls in Kansas. We need to be a trend setter and a model for the United States of American and join other states that have made similar laws.

"Each school district shall adopt a policy requiring that separate overnight accommodations be provided for students of each biological sex during school district sponsored travel that requires overnight stays by students."

This is straightforward language and makes sense.

I ask that you support this bill to protect our public school children and would appreciate your "YES" vote on SB 255.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

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