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I'm in support of this bill, because male and female should be defined from a biological point of view.  
Any other way is make believe.



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**I am in Support of this Bill.**



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WITNESS NAME: <b>BYRON KEELIN</b>		PHONE NUMBER: <b>314-402-0655</b>	
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**We are in support of this bill because we affirm that there are only two genders/sexes.**



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**We strongly support requiring all public school shower rooms, locker rooms, and restrooms to be only accessible to students of the same biological sex. This is a civil rights issue and we must protect girls from potential sexual predators pretending to be a person who "identifies" as someone different from their biological sex.**



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I agree with the definition of sex as male and female as defined in this bill by Rep Adam Schnelting. It is only right to require each person to use the bathroom and changing facility of the sex that they were born, regardless of what they feel like that day! This is an important guideline to follow in schools. I agree with everything in this bill and I ask you to do the right thing and pass it immediately to protect ALL children!



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Hopefully everyone saw heard WHAT IS A WOMEN. It's still crazy to me that our US Senator approved a judge who was a women yet could not give a description of who she is. A Women. Let start in the beginning, yes, the #1 book that is read. The Bible God created man and woman. Woman would birth children. Men would plant their seed. If one would go to the hospital for emergency care doctors would diagnose base on DNA. Base on birth gender. Biological. Test bone side by side. Man and Female They can tell the gender without talking to person. If you are murder and found later. They could only identify you as biological male or female. Not what you pretend to be.



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**It is patently absurd to have to legislate the definitions of genders.**



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**Boys and girls. Period.**



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**Now is the time to set things straight and take back our language and definitions of gender and sex. This must be done for the sake of our society AND mental health of our children. There is enough confusion and lies making their rounds in this country to choke a horse. Now is your opportunity to use your elected position to do the right thing.**



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I'm in support of this bill but it seems like we're starting to publish our own dictionary. It's hard to imagine we're even having to do this. Maybe we should just use the older published dictionaries that had a command of the English language.



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Please support this bill



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WITNESS NAME: <b>GARY WILCUTT</b>		PHONE NUMBER:	
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This bill would put common sense in line with reality back into life in Missouri. The differences between males and females should be established so that there will not be unfair competition in sports by confusion over identities by some individuals. Also, this clarification will make it easier to keep girls and women safe in restrooms. and locker rooms where they need to be protected from any males who want to intrude on these private areas. Only clear definitions of what biologically makes someone a boy or a girl based on physical characteristics that are experientially driven and not subject to imaginings of any individual contrary to their sex at birth will stop the insanity that has taken over so many states. I hope Missouri will lead the way into bringing America back in touch with the reality of so labeling the sexes that has servrd mankind for thousands of years. Thank you to all who will support this.





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WITNESS NAME: <b>JANET DABBS</b>		PHONE NUMBER:	
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WITNESS NAME: <b>JEROME S. JACOBMEYER</b>		PHONE NUMBER:
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I have read this bill and **SUPPORT** it.



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WITNESS NAME: <b>JOANNE M. SCHRADER</b>		PHONE NUMBER:
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WITNESS NAME: <b>JOSHUA WILCUTT</b>		PHONE NUMBER:	
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I urge you all to pass this bill!! The games on the definition of sex are attempted to being used as to stop KIDS from EATING food!! In Saint Charles City school district 39% of our students are on free and reduced lunches. Why are school boards needing to make policy language decisions over a student's ability to eat? This tactic is the precise inverse of the definition of the word equality. XX or XY....is the chromosomes we have. Male- and female. Our children's elected officials should never be put in a situation where they need to choose between food- and policy language.



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**Strongly urge you to support this bill based on common sense!**



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<b>REGISTERED LOBBYIST:</b>			
WITNESS NAME: <b>MATTHEW R. CROUCH</b>		PHONE NUMBER: <b>202-329-0329</b>	
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Testimony of Matt Crouch, Missouri State Director Heritage Action for America January 17, 2024 Supporting: HB 2309 Submitted to the Missouri House Committee on Emerging Issues Chairman Hardwick and Members of the Emerging Issues Committee, Thank you for the opportunity to submit written testimony in support of HB 2309. My name is Matt Crouch and I represent Heritage Action for America, a national grassroots organization with two million conservative activists nationwide, including thousands of Missourians. Heritage Action supports HB 2309, a bill to ensure a clear definition of sex that provides stable legal categories and protects Missourians from legal chaos caused by vague definitions. The Missouri House is right to focus on defining sex precisely. Until recently, no exact legal definition of sex—and especially the terms “male” and “female”—was needed because no one contested it. Unfortunately, because of the radical gender ideology’s growing influence on our laws and institutions, states no longer have this luxury. Vague legal definitions create openings for the Left’s extreme gender ideology to gain a foothold. Without a clear definition, we risk gender ideology replacing the reality of sex—in language, law, education, and medicine—with a mere “internal sense of gender.” HB 2309 ensures that the legal definition of sex is based on facts, not feelings or flawed philosophy. If enacted, HB 2309 would: Legally define sex in terms of the reproductive strategy, nearly universal in the animal and plant kingdoms, making clear that all humans are still all either male or female. Clarify past uses of “gender” and “sex” in state law and regulation while preserving legislative intent. Protect women and children, ensuring their rights to sex-separate sports and protecting the safety and privacy of restrooms, locker and dorm rooms, prisons, and shelters for women. Gender ideology targets human nature and civilization itself. We must resist it. But we can’t defend what we fail to define. Heritage Action supports HB 2309 and urges the committee to pass this important legislation.



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Chairman Hardwick, Ranking Member Aune and members of the Missouri House Emerging Issues Committee, My name is Matt Crouch and I am the Missouri State Director for Heritage Action for America, a national grassroots organization with two million conservative activists nationwide, including thousands of Missourians. Heritage Action is in favor of HB 2309 and urges the Committee to support it. Attached, please find the testimony of Jay W. Richards, Director of the DeVos Center for Life, Religion, and Family, and Senior Research Fellow at The Heritage Foundation and Dr. Colin Wright, Fellow at the Manhattan Institute. Please let me know if you have any questions or if I can be of any assistance. Best, Matt Crouch Missouri State Director Heritage Action for America Why Missouri Is Right to Define Male and Female in Precise, Biological Terms Jay W. Richards, PhD Director, DeVos Center; William E. Simon Senior Research Fellow The Heritage Foundation Until recently, no precise legal definition of sex—and especially the terms “male” and “female”—was needed because no one contested it. Unfortunately, because of gender ideology’s growing influence on our laws and institutions, states no longer have this luxury. In March 2024, the federal government will attempt to redefine sex in Title IX to include “gender identity.” If this is unchallenged, it will subvert all preexisting legal references to sex, contrary to their original intent. Recognizing this problem, some states have begun to propose legislation to define these terms in biological terms. The details are complex, however, and not easy to capture. Missouri’s House Bill 2309, the Defining SEX Act, does so precisely and efficiently. To see why this needs to be done, we must understand what gender ideology is and the confusion that it creates. What Is Gender Ideology? Gender ideology’s intellectual pedigree is complex. For our purposes, however, we can focus on its orthodox formulation in school curricula, popular culture, and medicine. In this form, it displaces the sexual binary of male and female—which describes all mammals including humans—with two subjective notions: First, an internal sense of gender called “gender identity” that is distinct from, and can even be in discord with, the body; and second, mere “sex assigned at birth.” Hence, its most ardent champions do not refer to a person’s sex when defining their terms. The Ontario Human Rights Commission is representative. “Gender identity,” the commission explains, “is each person’s internal and individual experience of gender. It is a person’s sense of being a woman, a man, both, neither, or anywhere along the gender spectrum.” Note that the same word appears in both the definition and the word being defined. That circularity is a philosophical necessity because gender ideology detaches gender identity from biological sex. This way of speaking and thinking is the essence of gender ideology. Efforts to redefine terms such as sex to comport with the lexicon of gender ideology threaten many important social goods. To preserve these goods, states need to anchor their legal definitions of sex, and related terms such as “male” and “female,” in the solid ground of biological facts. A Campaign of Confusion The main way gender ideologues have



confused the public is by falsely claiming that disorders of sexual development, often mislabeled “intersex” conditions, prove that there are more than two sexes—or that the sexes are somehow fluid or mere endpoints on a spectrum. Such disorders occur in 0.018 percent of the population. In some such cases, however, newborns have ambiguous genitalia. This makes the task of determining sex more complex. Nevertheless, appealing to these disorders to justify gender ideology is an intentional diversion. First, none of these conditions produces other sexes or “genders.” Second, gender ideology provides no new insights into these disorders. Third, people who identify as transgender or nonbinary rarely have one of these disorders. And fourth, no such disorders correspond to the growing list of “gender identities.”

**Defining Sex Imprecisely** Unfortunately, some who seek to defend the reality of sex—that is, the sexual binary—offer hasty and imprecise definitions, which can serve to discredit their efforts. Some claim, for instance, that all humans are either male or female and have either XX or XY chromosomes—corresponding to females (XX) and males (XY). But, as noted above, there are rare chromosomal disorders where this doesn’t hold. If the wording of the law fails to account for people with these disorders, it provides a target for critics to torpedo the legislation. The same sort of problem arises with some common ways of defining the two sexes. One might say, for instance, that “a woman can have babies; a man can’t.” That’s true—but it’s not a definition of “man” or “woman.” After all, some women have had hysterectomies, or have gone through menopause. Do they not count as women? Of course they do. So much the worse for the definition. Everyone intuitively understands that the difference between men and women has something to do with the ability to have babies. And there are ways to state the intuition precisely. For instance, to speak in the argot of “set theory,” you can say that the set of people who can have babies is a proper subset of the set of women. The set of all men, in contrast, contains no subset that can have babies. And if you remember high school biology, you know that XX and XY chromosomes have something to do with sex. But biology is complex, and definitions are hard to get just right. Set theory or chromosomes might help us understand the difference between males and females, but as a matter of law these definitions are not precise enough. Vague legal definitions create openings for gender ideology to gain a toehold. **Defining Sex Precisely** There are, however, several ways to define sex precisely. Any good definition will capture the central concept of biological sex—the orientation of male and female bodies for reproduction. It will also refer to what happens under normal development while accounting for disorders. Finally, it will accommodate the fact that organisms have and do different things at different stages of development. For instance, a female human embryo does not menstruate or get pregnant—nor does a woman who has passed through menopause. A male embryo very early in development does not (yet) have a penis or testes. The definitions provided in Missouri’s HB 2309 account for these complexities. The bill also carefully anchors past uses of related words, such as gender, in these definitions, while preserving past legislative intent. Current efforts to redefine sex to include “gender identity” would dissolve sex as a stable legal category and create legal chaos. Missouri is to be commended for defending the reality of the biological differences of male and female.

**TESTIMONY** Dr. Colin Wright earned my Bachelor of Science (BS) degree in Evolution, Ecology, and Biodiversity from the University of California, Davis, in 2012. I later obtained my PhD in Evolution, Ecology, and Marine Biology from the University of California, Santa Barbara, in 2018. Following this, I served as an Eberly Research Postdoctoral Fellow at The Pennsylvania State University. As an evolutionary behavioral ecologist, I’ve undergone comprehensive training in the core principles that dictate behavior across the animal kingdom. Among these principles, the most prominent and consistent is related to an individual’s sex, namely, whether they are male or female. My depth of knowledge in evolutionary biology and biodiversity provides me with a deep and broad understanding of the universal defining features of males and females throughout the plant and animal kingdoms. Contrary to claims by some activists and medical professionals who promote so-called “gender-affirming care” that the categories male and female are “social constructs” or that the term “sex” refers only to characteristics of individuals and not individuals themselves, all of which exist along a “spectrum,” such views are biologically inaccurate, socially harmful, and logically self-refuting. The Defining SEX Act is rooted in sound biology. It correctly highlights the fact that males and females are distinguished based on the type of gamete they are capable of or expected to produce, as dictated by their primary sexual anatomy. Males are defined in biology as the sex that has the function of producing numerous small gametes, or sperm. Conversely, females are defined as the sex that has the function of producing fewer but larger gametes, or ova. Because there are only two types of gamete (sperm and ova), there are and can be only two sexes. These criteria for defining male and female are not exclusive to humans; they apply universally across all forms of life on Earth. The Defining SEX Act is an essential piece of legislation that addresses the unique vulnerabilities of women and girls stemming from their reproductive biology. These vulnerabilities, including pregnancy and maternal responsibilities such as breastfeeding, warrant special considerations in employment. Additionally, human males and females display notable differences in size and strength, a phenomenon known as sexual dimorphism. During puberty, the increase in testosterone in males leads to greater height and the development of larger muscles and

tendons compared to females. This results in a male body that is generally bigger, faster, and stronger than if it had not undergone male puberty (which females do not). These significant physical differences form the rationale for establishing female-only spaces where physical safety is a concern. This includes intimate areas like bathrooms, locker rooms, as well as jails and prisons, as well as in contexts such as sports, where safety and fairness are both important considerations. Without a scientifically accurate definition of biological sex codified into law, it is impossible to enforce the sex-based rights of women and girls that have been previously secured through intense and morally correct human rights activism. It is neither logical nor legally sound to overlook the objective reality of biological sex in favor of subjective concepts like "gender identity," which are always vaguely and often circularly defined. While individuals should have the freedom to perceive and express themselves as they wish, imposing one's self-perception into law, particularly when it contradicts empirical reality and undermines legal protections based on biology for women and girls, is not justifiable. The self-refuting nature of portraying sex as applying only to characteristics of bodies and not bodies themselves lies in the fact that we are only able to code various traits like sex chromosomes, genitals, hormones, and other body parts as male or female by recognizing that males and females exist as distinct entities independent of these individual traits. For instance, scientists could only associate an XY karyotype with males and an XX karyotype with females because they already had an understanding of what males and females were beforehand. Similarly, we are capable of associating facial hair with males and breasts with females because we understand that males and females exist independently of these secondary sex characteristics. This coding of individual traits as male or female is possible precisely because the state of being male or female is independent of these traits and is defined by the type of gamete (sperm or ova) an individual can produce or is expected to produce. This naive and politically-motivated attempt to undermine the binary nature of sex as applying to entire bodies is also resulting in serious medical harm. The rationale behind "gender-affirming care" is based on the erroneous belief that modifying various body parts through hormones and surgeries can literally bring a person's bodily sex statistically into alignment with their "gender identity," which is increasingly being portrayed as a person's "brain sex" (another biologically flawed concept). However, the premise becomes unsound when sex is viewed correctly as applying to individuals independent of their secondary sex characteristics (e.g., breast size, facial hair, voice pitch, and overall body shape). In this scientifically accurate view, there is no such thing as a mismatch between different aspects of a person's sex, rendering any attempt to change a person's sex by hormonally and/or surgically altering their secondary sex characteristics utterly futile. We cannot ignore fundamental realities of our biology and expect positive outcomes for society. It is crucial that our laws reflect biological facts rather than politically driven ideologies. Sex-based legal protections are necessary due to real and significant sex based differences that matter in certain contexts. The Defining SEX Act accurately incorporates our scientific understanding of biological sex, making it an effective tool for informing medical treatments and defending and enforcing sex-based rights.



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I strongly support HB 2309 in it's original form.I urge you to vote "AYE" on this bill when it comes up for a vote in committee.



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I enthusiastically support HB 2309 as originally proposed.I strongly urge you to vote "AYE" on this bill as originally proposed when it comes to a vote in committee.



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**God made two genders man and women. How much clearer to wr need.?**



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**Give these kids mental help. Dont let them ruin their lives. Trans is a mental illness.**



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**Any sensible person can define a male or female. Enough said!**





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There is an urgent need for legislation like HB2308 and 2309 to protect Missouri school districts from vicious and unreasonable lawsuits from parents of students who describe themselves as "gender non-compliant". Think about that. They know to what biological sex they were born and they refuse to comply with that fact as they express the gender that they prefer - or gender fluidity or no gender at all. They then expect others to compromise their privacy and safety by demanding that they be allowed to use the bathroom of their chosen gender. It is well-known what happened in Loudon County, VA, when a biological male entered a girl's bathroom (under the guise of being a fifteen-year-old transgender) and raped her. But, you probably don't remember fifteen-year old Michael Taylor who beat, raped, and drowned fifteen-year old Christine Smetzer in a toilet in the girl's bathroom at McCluer High School in 1995 (my high school). Mr Taylor did not indicate that he was transgender; but he was bigger and stronger than the victim he isolated in the girl's bathroom. I could show you a number of incidents of either biological males or males that are so-called "transitioning" to females that have gained access to ladies' changing rooms at Target or girl's locker rooms at pools and let's say "misbehaved" - peeping over walls, taking videos, punching girls, and even raping them. The bottom line is that males and females do not belong together in isolated places like bathrooms and locker rooms - regardless of what their stated reason for being there is. Nevertheless, these parents have no sympathy for the safety of females alone with males - including their own daughters! Nor do they respect the privacy of boys who are forced to expose themselves to transitioning females who use urinals next to them. Both Francis Howell School District (where I live) and the Wentzville School District have drafted common-sense policies to limit students to use the bathroom and locker rooms of their biological sex or to use a "single-use" bathroom. Not only to they refuse to accept this policy, but they loudly announce their intent to sue, not only the districts but the volunteer Board members who are only trying to keep kids safe. They don't want to simply stop the proposed policy or be compensated for whatever harm they think they have suffered, they actually threaten the schools with punitive damages - punishing the districts and their Board members. Who would ever volunteer to serve their community with threats like these? Last fall, twelve St Charles County legislators signed a letter supporting policy restricting students from using bathrooms that do not match their biological sex on their birth certificates. Both Francis Howell and Wentzville School Boards have tabled their policies in the hope that you legislators will protect them from these attacks. They look apprehensively at the Blue Springs School District case where the transgender plaintiff was awarded \$4.2 before the judge threw it out in June of 2022; AND at the Platte County High School case that was filed in August of 2023. They are frozen in a dilemma of waiting for something awful to happen to a girl or boy or possibly losing their own personal assets in a lawsuit by parents who are backed by the deep pockets of the ACLU. I strongly urge this Committee to advance this legislation HB2308 and 2309 to restore sanity, safety and privacy in

Missouri schools.



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My name is Rabbi Ze'ev Smason. I'm honored to serve as Chairman of the Coalition for Jewish Values - Missouri (CJV-MO), as well as the Midwestern Regional Vice President of the CJV national organization. I represent a significant segment of the Missouri Jewish community that adheres to traditional Jewish values based upon our 3000 year-old heritage containing immutable moral guidelines that form the bedrock of the values that the United States of America and Missouri were founded upon. The Book of Genesis declares "Male and female He Created them." (1:27) The following chapter explains that male and female were created together, and then separated so that husband and wife might rejoin, once again becoming "one flesh" through the forming of their offspring. And that is the sum total of what the Bible, Judaism, and the values that America and Missouri were founded upon has to say about "gender identity." Men and women are distinct creations, complementary to each other, each made the way God wanted them to be. Therefore, on behalf of the more than 2500 Orthodox rabbis my national organization represents, as well as hundreds of thousands of Jews in America, and the many thousands of Jews in Missouri, I fully support HB 2309 "Defining Sex Act" , that defines 'boy', 'father', 'female', 'girl', 'male' , 'man', 'mother', 'sex' and 'woman.' Times may change, but the fundamental definitions of the above-stated terms have not changed over the millennia, and are important to codify at statutory in HB 2309



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<b>THE INFORMATION ON THIS FORM IS PUBLIC RECORD UNDER CHAPTER 610, RSMo.</b> <b>The LGBTQ+ Community is owed the same rights and equality as everyone else!</b>		





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**This bill is trying to separate legal definitions from the definition of how the word is used, and if what gives words power is how they are used, this bill is only trying to put pressure on trans people.**



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EMAIL: <b>adampaulrossi@gmail.com</b>	ATTENDANCE: <b>Written</b>	SUBMIT DATE: <b>1/14/2024 2:54 PM</b>
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This bill is an attack on Missouri's already vulnerable LGBTQ+ community as it legalizes discrimination against human beings. This seems especially backwards in light of our nation's annual celebration of Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Day. We honor Rev. Dr. King for the witness to justice and righteousness that he was, and for his work to end discrimination in this country. It is an affront to the legacy of Martin Luther King that Missouri works to legalize discrimination; we clearly do not appreciate the meaning of what it means to love our fellow sisters and brothers. These bills, on the contrary, encourage hatred and incite violence against transgender people and have major negative economic impacts on Missouri. This continued assault against the LGBTQ+ community will discourage new business investment in our communities and keep skilled labor from ever wanting to move to Missouri.



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WITNESS NAME: <b>ADRIEN THOMPSON</b>		PHONE NUMBER:	
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As defined by The American Medical Association, Merck & Co. Manuals Global Medical Knowledge, Johns Hopkins University and Medicine, The American Psychiatric Association, The American Medical Women's Association, The World Health Organization, The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, The National Institutes of Health, and many more associations and institutions of modern medicine, biological sex and gender are related, but not synonymous. That is to say, to be clear, these institutions, whom we look to for our up-to-date understandings and discoveries in modern day medicine and where we find our references and resources on medical material to test our current and future doctors in America and Missouri, define sex and gender as two different ideas. By actively dismissing, disregarding, and revising the medical information that we give to children in schools, we are denying them the truth that we recognize in medicine. I oppose the notion for the state government of Missouri to revise and omit the truth that we are obligated to deliver to the younger generations in Missouri. Young Missourians in school have the right to the medical and scientific truth that is observed and understood by the top nations of the world.



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EMAIL: <b>adrienneifler@gmail.com</b>	ATTENDANCE: <b>Written</b>	SUBMIT DATE: <b>1/17/2024 12:05 PM</b>
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WITNESS NAME: <b>ALEX SMITH</b>		PHONE NUMBER:
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**I oppose this bill, which will directly harm a vulnerable group. Shame on you.**



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WITNESS NAME: <b>ALEXANDER D HISSONG</b>		PHONE NUMBER:
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EMAIL: <b>alex.hissong@gmail.com</b>	ATTENDANCE: <b>Written</b>	SUBMIT DATE: <b>1/17/2024 6:29 PM</b>

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Unnecessary, very expensive. The language does nothing to address gender or gender identity and forces people who do not confirm to norms to put themselves in dangerous situations. It does nothing to improve safety or life of "norm" gender-conforming people.



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To whom it may concern, I am writing as a high schooler who lives in Town and Country. I was spending time with friends yesterday, and we started talking about male vs. female and what they mean. One of my friends, who I didn't think was very accepting of trans people, said it doesn't matter what reproductive characteristics a person has, and that gender is an identity. It pleasantly surprised me and reminded me that students now don't think of "sex" and "gender" in decades-old, scientifically incorrect ways. And so to define "sex" as "gender", and "male" and "female" as what reproductive characteristics a person has, in Missouri law is backward and wrong. Please vote "no" on HB 2309.





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The Missouri Legislature continues to waste taxpayer dollars introducing anti-LGBTQ legislation that the majority of Missourians do not support. Most Missouri residents would say "live and let live" at the very least, and these bills go directly against that. More and more Americans are completely in support of the LGBTQ community. Do not let a vocal minority convince you to believe their misinformation and lies about the T in LGBTQ. Trans people deserve rights just as much as anyone else, and not just once they turn 18. Trans kids deserve autonomy of their own identities, lives, and medical decisions. Leave the queer community alone.



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Please vote in opposition to this bill that further harms our Trans siblings.



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**There is no place for anti-trans or anti-queer legislation in Missouri. As the 'Show Me' state, where our character is what is supposed to matter more than anything else, this is a pitiful and unacceptable attempt to demoralize and punish trans people for living their authentic lives.**



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WITNESS NAME: <b>ALLISON SEITZ</b>		PHONE NUMBER:
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EMAIL: <b>seitzali@gmail.com</b>	ATTENDANCE: <b>Written</b>	SUBMIT DATE: <b>1/16/2024 5:03 PM</b>
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The motivation behind this is outwardly biased and goes against how the medical field defines the sexes. In addition, these definitions also cross a line between church and state - even if it isn't stated.



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**This bill is grotesque and actively harmful to queer individuals and queer youth in our state. I am adamantly opposed to this bill and will not vote for any candidate who supports it.**



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EMAIL: <b>dash9yvonne22@gmail.com</b>	ATTENDANCE: <b>Written</b>	SUBMIT DATE: <b>1/17/2024 11:29 AM</b>
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**Sex and gender are not synonyms. Sex refers to a person's biology. The World Health Organization defines gender as "the characteristics of women, men, girls and boys that are socially constructed." Gender is a social construct. Sex is not. To conflate the two is simply inaccurate and a clear attempt to invalidate the gender identities of trans people.**



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**Stop the bigotry against our LGBTQ family and friends.**



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Opposition to legislation that mandates disclosure of gender identity and forces the outing of LGBTQIA + individuals stems from fundamental principles of privacy and personal autonomy. The right to privacy is a cornerstone of individual freedom, and any attempt by the government to dictate or expose an individual's gender identity infringes upon this fundamental right. Such legislation not only violates the principle of personal autonomy but also poses a threat to the ability of LGBTQIA+ individuals to live freely in their own bodies. Enforcing disclosure undermines the very essence of self-determination and subjects individuals to unnecessary scrutiny. Moreover, it represents a concerning instance of government overreach, as it empowers authorities to regulate and determine what private citizens can or cannot do with their own bodies. Preserving the right to privacy and autonomy in matters of gender identity is crucial for fostering an inclusive society that respects the dignity and personal choices of all individuals. Legislation should prioritize protecting these rights rather than infringing upon them.





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**Why should the genitals I'm born with define my role in society? This is by definition sexism. I have the right to self-determination. This also ignores established science and medicine.**



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WITNESS NAME: <b>AMY HAMMERMAN</b>		PHONE NUMBER:	
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**Nobody needs you to tell them what gender they are. Leave people alone and let them live their lives. This is just driven by ignorance and hate. People have existed on a gender spectrum since the beginning of time. This does nothing to change that. All it does it's cause pain and suffering of many Missourians.**



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Gender and sex are not the same, that is why there currently exists a distinction between them. While “sex” refers to a person’s biological sex, “gender” refers to the roles, behaviors, activities, expectations, and societal norms that are considered appropriate for individuals. In essence, sex is associated with the physical and physiological characteristics such as reproductive organs and chromosomes, while gender encompasses the cultural, social, and psychological aspects linked to being masculine or feminine. This distinction between gender and sex is crucial for understanding and respecting the diverse ways in which individuals experience and express their identities. It emphasizes the need for inclusive and respectful language, policies, and societal attitudes that acknowledge the complexity of human identity beyond the binary concept of male and female.



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**This bill is discriminatory and I am opposed to it.**



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I am writing to express my vehement opposition to any legislative measures that threaten the rights of transgender individuals. As a firm advocate for trans rights and the principles of equality, I am deeply concerned about the potential impact of bills that seek to curtail or limit the rights of transgender people. It is crucial to emphasize that everyone, regardless of their gender identity, deserves to be treated with dignity, respect, and equality under the law. Targeting transgender individuals with discriminatory legislation not only violates the principles of human rights but also undermines the very foundation of a just and inclusive society. Transgender rights are human rights, and any attempts to restrict them are a direct assault on the autonomy and well-being of individuals who are already marginalized. The state and government should not interfere with personal decisions about one's own body or identity. Every person has the right to live authentically, free from discrimination, and with the full protection of their civil liberties. I urge you to stand on the side of justice, equality, and human rights by rejecting any proposed bills that undermine the rights of transgender individuals. As a society, we must strive to create an environment that fosters inclusivity, understanding, and acceptance for all. Thank you for your attention to this critical matter. I trust that you will take a principled stand in safeguarding the rights and dignity of transgender individuals.



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Marsha Blackburn asked Judge Kentaji Brown Jackson to define what a woman is. Judge Jackson's response was that she cannot define a woman in the context provided. There is a difference between sex and gender- this has been proven time and time again. We cannot define a woman or a man because of the broad spectrum of gender. Sex is not the same as gender! We cannot define gender by biological sex and internal or external reproductive characteristics. This causes confusion and leaves out many individuals- take intersex people who can be born with one set of external organs but have different internal reproductive organs. The definition of gender cannot be binary.                      As a LGBTQ+ individual who lives in Missouri, I have witnessed the detrimental effect of defining gender as one binary idea. Please vote NO on HB 2309.



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This bill ignores the nearly 2% of people who are biologically neither male nor female. Lines 28-30 mention intersex people, but do nothing to actually address the gap in language that this bill presents when referring to intersex people. What word would apply to a person who has both male and female traits? Additionally, it is not the government's job to dictate language. This bill has no merit and does nothing to address genuine issues facing Missourians.





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**A person's gender identity and sexual orientation should not be political. Missouri representatives are constantly letting down the people that live in this state by constantly telling them that they are not wanted/accepted and their feelings are not valid. HB 2309 Schnelting is hateful and I would like for Missouri representatives to be better and choose to stay out of what they don't care to know and learn about and to LISTEN to people whose experiences are different than theirs and choosing to be their authentic selves. You hurt every Missourian with every hateful bill you propose and keep people ignorant and bigoted to further alienate people who are already struggling.**



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**I am disgusted that anyone would try and make life harder for queer individuals. These bills are harmful to children and adults.**



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I am in opposition to this.



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As defined by The American Medical Association, Merck & Co. Manuals Global Medical Knowledge, Johns Hopkins University and Medicine, The American Psychiatric Association, The American Medical Women's Association, The World Health Organization, The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, The National Institutes of Health, and many more associations and institutions of modern medicine, biological sex and gender are related, but not synonymous. That is to say, to be clear, these institutions, whom we look to for our up-to-date understandings and discoveries in modern day medicine and where we find our references and resources on medical material to test our current and future doctors in America and Missouri, define sex and gender as two different ideas. By actively dismissing, disregarding, and revising the medical information that we give to children in schools, we are denying them the truth that we recognize in medicine. I oppose the notion for the state government of Missouri to revise and omit the truth that we are obligated to deliver to the younger generations in Missouri. Young Missourians in school have the right to the medical and scientific truth that is observed and understood by the top nations of the world.



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**Just let people be who they are please.**



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In what day an age are we actually DENYING science that reflects far more intricacy in gender/sex than that we understand as chromosomal MALE XY or FEMALE XX - there are notable percentages of the population that this completely erases. Attempting to establish definitions that omit entire portions of the human population opens doors for all sorts of discrimination and human rights violations.



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**I a Missouri resident and I strongly oppose this bill. This bill is harmful to our communities. I fully support transgender people in our community and reject these attempts to reduce their human rights.**



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This bills proposal of attempting to marry the word gender with the word sex is an insult to the very existence of language. There is a reason these two distinct words exist, to define each of the very important facets of one's identity. If this bill were to pass, it would (in theory) erase the progress that I've personally made for the past 5 years. It would strip away my identity, and leave me as an anomaly of the system. The only reason anyone should need to know about my sex is if they are giving me medical attention or we are in an intimate relationship. Please keep the government out of my business, and the business of many others like me.



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**Trans rights are human rights.**



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**Intersex people have always existed. It's science. Get over it.**



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Last year, the Missouri legislature launched a full scale attack on the LGBTQ+ community, especially trans Missourians and trans youth. This year, Missouri Republicans said they would focus less on this hateful campaign and instead use their time to more effectively address education, crime, and other real issues that affect their constituents. They lied. Only two weeks into the session, 9 anti-LGBTQ bills have been introduced in the House. This is unacceptable. Taking away healthcare from constituents, forcing employers to discriminate against their employees, and spending valuable government time on semantics. It's time to stop pulling focus away by focusing on hateful distractions that harm real people and solve real issues.



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Another waste of government time and taxpayer money, this one also shows a crushing lack of understanding of any of the terms it seeks to define as well as, quite frankly, how language works.



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Around the same percentage of the population as has read hair is what's known medically as intersex. This means these individuals (about 2% of the population) cannot be identified medically as male or female. This is because chromosomes, DNA, and sex characteristics all work together to determine how a person forms. That alone is enough reason to vote no on this bill. Additionally, I'm a transgender individual and I have known I was queer since I was 4 or 5 years old. I was raised in a conservative environment and had no idea that transgender was a word or a concept, but I knew I did not resonate with my assigned gender. The fear that I could never tell anyone how I felt and that I would never be able to live the way I wanted to left me not wanting to be alive at all as a teenager. Every step we take towards believing people and allowing them what they need to be themselves is a step towards saving people. Surely we can agree that suicide prevention should be more important than disagreements over how people should live. I'm humbly asking you see the humanity in myself and millions of other people and vote against this bill. There is documentation going back centuries of trans and intersex people having existed, and even been heralded as leaders and wise people in their communities. Unfortunately, people were taught to fear trans people for being different than most. The only thing we want is to live our lives.



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WITNESS NAME: <b>CHRIS NEMETH</b>		PHONE NUMBER:
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Missouri deserves better, for EVERY one of its citizens. The government has no right to intrude on the choices of individuals who are making decisions for their well being and supported by their families and medical partners. These bills are antagonistic against people who only want to be left alone by the government and to just be themselves, employing their rights to life, liberty, and their own pursuit of happiness. There is absolutely no reason for the state to get involved in these personal choices, and those choices are not hurting anyone in the public at large, unlike Missouri's lax gun laws, terrible business climate, and atrocious road maintenance. We the people of Missouri demand that you stop playing bully politics and let these people just be, free to express who they are in the way they want to, without a nanny-state of government overreach imposing it's will over its citizens. We pay taxes, support our economy, and contribute to the good of this state....and the way our children and neighbors wish to express themselves is not the state's business. This is a time to look forward, not backward. Our children's lives and the well being of our state is at stake.



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**This bill show an obtuse lack of understanding of modern Science. Sex is not a binary or as simple and straight-forward as this bill would suggest. This bill denies the existence of trans people and puts their health and safety in jeopardy.**





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I oppose HB 2309. Mr. Schnelting isn't a doctor or scientist so I'm wondering if he and his party are now just the party of genitalia what with the obsession around this topic.



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WITNESS NAME: <b>COLLEEN FAGAN</b>		PHONE NUMBER:
BUSINESS/ORGANIZATION NAME: <b>DR. COLLEEN FAGAN, LLC</b>		TITLE: <b>DR</b>
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CITY: <b>GLADSTONE</b>		STATE: <b>MO</b>
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So if I have a hysterectomy, does that make me less of a woman? What if I am infertile? What if a man has a vasectomy? You seem to make exceptions at times for intersex individuals? Do you know that intersex comes in many varieties? It's not just about sexual anatomy. If a transman has a phalloplasty and a transwoman has a vaginoplasty, will you now recognize and respect their gender? What is your real motive with this bill? Who are you trying to hurt, limit, discriminate against? Seriously, tell me why we really need this bill? If someone is faking another gender to get a privilege in sports as I've heard it claimed, well maybe we need a law that punishes them, not one that punishes people who are taking arduous steps to be who they should have always been. Because is someone contesting your sex? Is someone impinging on your rights? Ohhh wait...that's what you're trying to do. My bad. I'll let you get back to legislating hate against the 1-3%.



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**These anti-LGBTQ bills are simple bullying tactics to some of the already most vulnerable populations in our community. These populations already have some of the highest mental health, suicide rates, and homicide rates, why make their lives harder? Leave them alone. What would Jesus do.**



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My name is Corey Hyman, I'm submitting in opposition of HB 2309. I was unable to attend last year, as well as this year as our lives have become more hectic but that will not stop me from testifying for my life. I started testifying when I was 12 years old in 2019, weeks before my 13th birthday. I now turn 18 in less than a month. I am almost an adult. That is how long I have been fighting. I have a vagina. I also have facial hair, a deep voice, a flat chest and wear men's clothing. I am a man. If you didn't know who I am or know that I was trans, I guarantee you would have no idea that I was born a female. How I was born and what genitals I have is of no harm to myself, to you or to anyone else. It is also no one's business but my own and my doctors. I'm happy with how I identify, knowing I'm not harming myself or others. Living as a woman made me suicidal, which sadly persisted as I was bullied after I came out. None of this should have to be said. You shouldn't even be thinking about mine or others genitals. Sorta pervy if you ask me. Again, my business, not yours. Place your priorities elsewhere. I already know several people who have moved out of state because they no longer feel safe here. Your job is to create and withhold a sense of safety in our state. You're failing to do this by making these families and kids feel so unsafe that they had to move. I'm sick and tired of this. This is my fifth year testifying. Leave us alone. Let us live in peace. We will continue to fight, and you will not silence us. We will be as loud as we need.



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WITNESS NAME: <b>CYDNEY CHURCHWELL</b>		PHONE NUMBER:
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I oppose this attempt to change the Missouri Human Rights Act to include statutory definitions of "sex," "gender," "male," "female," etc. following a scientifically incorrect binary based on internal and external reproductive characteristics. Our Missouri legislation needs to do a better job of screening bills for consideration based on scientific facts. For example, around 1.7% of the population is born with intersex traits – comparable to the number of people born with red hair. That's just one example of non-binary gender. Stop this attempt to define real people out of existence with legislation based on fears and fiction.



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WITNESS NAME: <b>DAMASCENE KURUKULASURIYA</b>		PHONE NUMBER:
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This type of prejudice is sadly going to destroy an already marginalized, victimized and vulnerable segment in our community. I sincerely oppose this for humanistic , moralistic and ethical reasons.



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WITNESS NAME: <b>DAN BRIGMAN</b>		PHONE NUMBER:
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**This bill works toward eliminating negotiated Provisions for the LGBTQ+ community.**



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WITNESS NAME: <b>DANE R CASEY</b>		PHONE NUMBER:
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I am an owner of a barber shop in Kansas City, MO. Many of our clients are young adults in transition or thinking about transitioning. They are of sound mind. They are of flesh and soul. They have the ability to know who they are. I hear their stories daily. They need your support. I am pleading with you to not attempt to pass this bill. You are in your position to serve. Not to destroy your population. Consider these people as you would your own child. Love them for who they are and know they are.



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**Anti-trans is anti-American and impedes our freedom of choice. These bills are unconditional.**



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I expect a political party that claims to be pro-life would stop attacking children. Republican attacks on transgender children and adults are driving them to suicide, and they're inspiring Republican supporters to assault transgender people. I expect that a Republican party that claims to love freedom would oppose attacks on personal freedom instead of being the perpetrators of these attacks. I expect that a party that endorses parental rights would allow parents to make decisions about their children's welfare. I expect my state government to make intelligent decisions based on facts instead of hyping hatred to score political points with misinformed Evangelicals. I expect my state representatives to oppose this misguided bill, and start doing productive work for our state.





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This bill would be an outrageous overstepping over governmental authority. Definitions of biological terms belong to the scientific community. Definitions of cultural terms belong to the culture. Further, omittance of terms used by non-binary or transgender individuals shows that the bill would be lacking in its ability to fully describe gender. Even further the familial terms such as "mother", "father", "sister", and "brother" have wide ranging definitions that are extremely personal in nature and should not be governed by any group outside of those using the term to describe their relationship.



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**I oppose government interference with gender transitioning and anything relating to it. Preventing these healthcare rights does not benefit Missouri residents.**



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This bill erases Missourians with ambiguous genitals and those with ambiguous or nonexistent reproductive organs, not all of which constitute "medically verifiable diagnosis of a disorder or difference in sex development." This is unacceptable. There is a whole lot more to sex and gender and the spectrum thereof (because sex is, in fact, a spectrum, no matter the limitations of this governing body's meager and woefully limited scientific education) than this bill acknowledges. Have your constituents truly asked for you to focus on this? Have you spoken with any of the intersex Missourians in your districts how this legislation impacts them? It seems to me that you are blowing a whole bunch of hot air into your rectums instead of actually listening to your constituents and going to work on things that will ACTUALLY HELP real Missourians.



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It's important to recognize and respect the diversity of human experiences when discussing gender. The belief that there are only two genders, male and female, oversimplifies the complex and nuanced nature of gender identity. Crafting a testimony against this binary perspective involves acknowledging the following points:

**Variety of Gender Identities:** Gender is not a rigid binary; it exists on a spectrum. Many people identify outside the traditional categories of male and female. Non-binary, genderqueer, and genderfluid individuals, among others, express unique and valid gender identities.

**Respect for Individual Identity:** Upholding the idea that there are only two genders can lead to the erasure and invalidation of the experiences of those whose gender identity falls outside this binary. Respecting and affirming individual identities fosters a more inclusive and understanding society.

**Scientific Understanding:** Scientific research supports the idea that gender is not strictly binary. Biological, psychological, and sociological factors contribute to the complexity of gender identity. Acknowledging this complexity is crucial for a comprehensive understanding of gender.

**Human Rights and Dignity:** Denying the existence of non-binary or other gender identities can contribute to discrimination and marginalization. Everyone deserves to have their gender identity acknowledged and respected, in alignment with principles of human rights and dignity.

**Promoting Inclusivity:** Embracing a broader understanding of gender fosters inclusivity and acceptance. Recognizing and validating diverse gender identities contributes to a more compassionate and empathetic society.

In conclusion, asserting that there are only male and female genders oversimplifies the rich tapestry of human identity. A more inclusive perspective acknowledges and respects the diverse ways individuals experience and express their gender.



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I am the parent of a trans child in Missouri, whose coming out journey has been filled with a mixture of joy and fear. Previous to their coming out, she dealt with anxiety, depression and worse. We didn't know what was wrong or how to help her. Once she shared and we supported her, and she began being seen for who she truly is, everything changed. The joy is continuously tempered by fear that we'll have to leave the state. Our family owns multiple businesses that are cornerstone businesses in St. Louis, employing well over 100 individuals - with three new locations opening by May. We often ask ourselves why we're investing in a state that doesn't want our family - and will happily shut it all down and leave if it means protecting her. But why should we have to? Our hearts break for the LGBTQ+ community in Missouri today that hate is being legislated. We oppose all of the nine anti LGBTQ bills being presented and are embarrassed to have to submit this at all. Do better.



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**This is absolutely dehumanizing. You have no right to violate people's privacy like this**



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**Aren't we supposed to be guaranteed life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness? These anti-trans laws are un-American and if you sign them, you are not an American. Are we going to start checking everyone's underpants before they use the bathroom? Get real. You've been in the bathroom with a trans person, you just weren't aware. Why do you care about anything other than going to the bathroom when you're in a bathroom? Weirdos.**





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I am writing this testimony as a business-owning, life-long Missouri resident (I live in Town and Country, MO, a wealthy enclave in the west county of St. Louis) who owns and helps lead a financial services organization (now entering it's 31st year in business) based in Missouri employing more than 650 individuals. Make no mistake: this bill, and others like it, position Missouri in an incredibly negative way and make it harder to attract and retain the top talent needed to make our business successful. Today more than ever before, professionals have the ability to choose where they wish to live and work. This bill, and the similar bills up for discussion this week, evoke a particular kind of cruelty and closed-mindedness that, if passed, would make Missouri a far less desirable place to live and work - thus making my need to attract and retain industry-leading talent far more difficult. I am firmly and fully against these bills on moral and ethical grounds, but it is my testimony and perspective above that I hope may help persuade those Missouri Representatives, particularly those on the pro-business, Republican side of the aisle, to vote "NO" on this and similar bills and to stop bringing them up for consideration. Beyond the content and particulars of the bills themselves, just the narrative around these bills make our jobs of leading/growing Missouri businesses much, much harder. Thank you—



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The current definitions of sex assignment and gender are sufficient. This seems to be an attempt to alter a known concept giving you control over people who are made differently from you. Trans people are different but not less worthy. Please stop treating a smaller group of people as unworthy of protection and support by changing legal definitions to suit a bias. This bill is unnecessary and reckless.



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The state says if you have a penis you're a man, if you have a vagina you're a woman. It's already defined. You've never met me but you're probably seen me about town. In fact I've delivered pizza to your house. You didn't tip well either. You don't know me but you apparently hate that I'm well adjusted to life after dealing with my gender dysphoria at an early age. I've met the states requirement for my sex marker. I'm not sure you have a need to change any requirements or define sex any further than what it's been defined as. You could add gender to an id, gender is different from sex.



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It was not that long ago that the field of eugenics truly believed that different ethnic groups were biologically predisposed to be superior/inferior. Before that, Christian authors and philosophers like Tertullian believed that women were deformed men. In many cultures, there is a spectrum of gender identity. It is hubris to believe that we have the final word on gender identity. Even the ancient Hebrew in which Genesis was written leaves the translations open and inclusive to "humankind" and not expressly male and female. As a seminary student, a parent, a relative of gender-diverse individuals, I urge you to spend your time on the actual issues that are plaguing our state and education system. This is not it.



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**Trans people belong in Missouri. Being trans is valid.**



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**Government has no business intruding into private medical decisions. Personal autonomy is sacred. Butt out.**



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By following a scientifically incorrect binary based on internal and external reproductive characteristics for its definitions of "sex", "gender", "male", and "female", this bill ignores the latest scientific research on the biology of sex, which posits much more variation in human chromosomes than was previously thought. From a 2018 Scientific American article: "[N]ew technologies in DNA sequencing and cell biology are revealing that almost everyone is, to varying degrees, a patchwork of genetically distinct cells, some with a sex that might not match that of the rest of their body...Gene mutations affecting gonad development can result in a person with XY chromosomes developing typically female characteristics, whereas alterations in hormone signaling can cause XX individuals to develop along male lines."("Sex Redefined: The Idea of 2 Sexes is Overly Simplistic" by Claire Ainsworth and Nature Magazine, Oct. 22, 2018)The Missouri Human Rights Act must not include terms defined in ways that have been scientifically proven inaccurate, which will only bring harm to those whom the Act is meant to serve i.e. people experiencing discrimination. This is obviously yet another attempt to target trans people, nonbinary people, and gender-expansive people for discrimination by disallowing them from accessing the Act's protections. We oppose this bill because all Missourians deserve protection from discrimination.





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I am writing in opposition to this bill. The text of this bill seeks to equate two terms that do not have the same meaning. Look at any established medical entity's definitions of sex and gender, and see that they are different. This bill completely disregards medical knowledge and precedent, in favor of a 6th grade-level comprehension of the English language.



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**The state of Missouri is not a physician and should have no say in private issues which should remain within the family with consultation with a physician. Stop this assault on parental rights!**



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**Legislators need to quit playing doctor and give people the freedom to make their own choices about what's best for them and their families**



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**What is the point of this bill? How will this help Missourians, the constituents you claim to represent?  
As a Missourian, I find this bill pathetic. It follows a scientifically incorrect binary based on internal and external reproductive characteristics and will only do harm.**



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**Refusal to address someone as they see themselves is demeaning and cruel. With all these outrageous bills where you are trying to strip decency and civil liberties of Americans and Missourians, you are harming them and their ability to just live a happy life (as we all want). I don't see any bills to help them with mental health issues, that you are the cause of. If we stop using how we address someone, how do we address you? Do we now stop using Mr. & Mrs.? Transpeople will always exist!!**



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EMAIL: <b>eelizamitchell@gmail.com</b>		ATTENDANCE: <b>Written</b>	SUBMIT DATE: <b>1/17/2024 12:43 PM</b>
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My name is Eliza, I am a 29 year old trans woman. This bill is a direct attack on me and my community. Writing us out of law, an explicit denial of our existence, will do nothing to solve any of the problems and concerns that the skeptic camp claims to care about. It will only serve to further malign a community of people who are already deeply misunderstood and afraid for our lives. I am a lifelong Missourian and resident of Kansas City. I love my city and state and have been a loyal employee in the concerts industry and taxpayer for many years. If I felt safe here, I would choose to spend the rest of my life here among my community, friends, and family. Unfortunately, bills like this, and the attitudes of those who vote for them, make it feel like the window is closing for people like me to live fulfilling lives in this state. If unnecessary cruelty and virtual excommunication are the point, then bravo, but if you actually care about keeping some of the most creative, beautiful, wise, and driven people in your state around instead of scaring them off to Colorado and Illinois, I implore you to reconsider the path you are headed down. People like me want Missouri to grow and prosper. It is a microcosm of America, embodying North, South, East, and West all at once. It's part of the reason why I love this state. But if my government is intent on legislating me out of existence, I cannot stay, and will bring my experience, work ethic, and otherwise joyful attitude to some other, more enlightened place.



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Missouri lags every state in the nation in education. We have some of the highest maternal death rates. We are fourth for gun related deaths. One in eight Missouri children face food insecurity. We have over 13 thousand kids in foster care. Your decision to attack people rather than make the lives of all Missourians better is pure bigotry and hatred. As an voter in this state, I stand against these attacks. You should be ashamed of yourselves.



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The only reason someone would want to make the definition of these the same is because they have an issue against transgender people. Why do you have an issue with trans people? Do you not see them as human beings? Do you believe all babies are born perfectly? Have you never heard of a baby having any type of birth defect? Do you blame a baby with cleft lip? Do you bully cleft lip people? What about cerebral palsy folks? Things got messed up in the making of those babies -- it happens. Do you and the government go after these kids - do you? Is there a reason you don't think things got messed up in the making of a kid who came out transgender? Do you think they should be forced to live their life in total misery because they do not align with their body? That's blaming the child. Have you ever been around a kid/teen who has suffered with depression because of gender dysphoria? Have you ever known a teen who cuts themselves or who has attempted suicide because they don't know how to explain what's going on to their parents.....they fear their very religious parents won't understand. Have you known parents who lost a teen to suicide? Trans kids NEED SUPPORT. They don't need their government coming after them. Transgenderism is real. There are no kids fantasizing about being trans. "Oh I really hope my parents will let me start hormone blockers so I can become a boy! I like Elliott Page. He's cool. I can't wait to be bullied. It's very comforting to know that my state will come out with numerous bills every year against me." ----- yea, this isn't happening! Being transgender is hard - it takes bravery!! I told someone who I love very much that I was so very proud of them and how in all my life I had never been so brave after they walked into their huge high school for the first time as female when all that district had ever known them as was male."I didn't have a choice."That was her reply.I didn't have a choice.Imagine hearing that from a 17 yr old.I didn't have a choice.Crying I realized she knew that was the only way her life had a chance at happiness.Before was depression, bad thoughts, and dread. Now she was on her way.She, just as any other American, is entitled to her unalienable Rights - among these are Life, Liberty and the pursuit of Happiness!-----I want to reiterate that these kids already have it rough ----- very, very rough ----- they didn't ask to be born differently. They didn't ask to have to figure out why they hate their body parts. None of it.Yet adult legislators - public servants - some who have children of their own - have it in their head that these kids/teens- are the problem in Missouri- are going to cause trouble in a bathroom (I'm a soon to be 56yr old female and in all my years of using public restrooms I've never seen another woman's vulva in there. It doesn't happen. If a trans person is in there, no penis is going to come flying out at me!)- are going to turn other children transgender (as if this is a dream kids have...)etc.The Republican party is hurting these kids.These kids matter.These kids are people's children.Parents know their kids better than Rep Schnelting, Rep Hudson, Rep Baker, Rep Lonsdale, Rep Matthiesen, Senator Hoskins, and any of the GOP who have written anti-tans bills. Aren't Republicans for parental rights and small government?





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**As a former public school educator who realizes queer kids don't need the government to bully them too, I oppose this legislation.**



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Hello, I am Lear Rose, and I am a transgender and gender nonconforming student and resident of Missouri. I'm appalled and horrified by the contents of this bill not only does it effectively write out transgender, gender-nonconforming, and intersex people out of the law, but it also criminalizes schools and educational institutions from allowing their students to use restrooms that align with their gender identity. Without recognition in the law due to this bill's strict new definitions of male and female, transgender and gender-nonconforming individuals will be left vulnerable without legal protection against discrimination. Bathroom bans are equally as horrifying because a transgender individual's right to use the bathroom that aligns with their gender identity is not only basic human dignity but also a matter of personal safety. As a transgender student, I have faced real danger in venturing into women's restrooms, the restrooms that this law would have me use. There have been a few notable instances in which I have used a woman's restroom and made the occupants of the restroom viscerally uncomfortable and have been kicked out simply for trying to wash my hands or go pee in peace. The truth is that forcing transgender individuals to use bathrooms that align with their assigned sex at birth is often times impractical and makes everyone uncomfortable. Although this law has provisions for gender-neutral restrooms, practically speaking, this provision would do little to nothing as most facilities cannot accommodate gender-neutral restrooms, or if they do have such a facility, it is located at an inconvenient spot for students. Solely using gender-neutral restrooms also has an increased risk for trans students who wish to keep their identity more private as it is a method of outing and thus could lead to increased bullying or harassment within the school environment. It is my personal opinion that the government should never do anything to intentionally enshrine discrimination into the law and, in general, should stay relatively free out of people's lives. This law fails on both accounts, enshrining discrimination and interfering with the personal freedoms of transgender and gender-nonconforming students. I urge you respectfully to vote no. Thank you for your time and consideration, Lear Rose



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**As a trans woman living in the state of Missouri, this bill would cause harm to me by refusing to treat me as the woman I am and would potentially revoke my legal status in the state, and would cause a disconnect between my gender status on the federal and state levels. Additionally, years of hormone replacement therapy has changed a majority of my biology other than my genitals to be in line with my gender, to the point that medicine dosage needs to be in line with a female for my body, so to say I am biologically still fully male is ridiculous.**



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**This is a waste of time and resources that could go towards efforts more beneficial to Missourians.**



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My name is Eury Speir and I stand in opposition of this bill. This is a discriminatory bill based on gender and sex. The fact that our elected officials are debating about the existence of individuals is appalling. Putting forth bills such as this are a waste of taxpayer funds. What benefit does this bill impart to the state? The answer is none. Oppose this bill merely based on the fact that it is a frivolous affair.



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**This bill is trying to do something that actual real biologists would laugh at you for. Presuming biology to be so cut and dry/black and white is silly and the only purpose doing so serves is to harm people.**





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**This ignores years and years of science and opts to define people incorrectly, deliberately, with hateful intent. The ONLY purpose of this changing of definitions is to further hurt and marginalize trans communities. There is NO other reason for this to exist. You should be ashamed of yourself.**



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**Not only is this scientifically inaccurate, it also creates dangerous precedent for anyone who is perceived as not conforming to traditional conservative and outdated gender stereotypes and unrealistic expectations.**



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**Your attack on LGBTQ+ individuals is disgusting and has no place in Missouri.**



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**My nephew was born intersex; with no external genitalia. How does that fit into your narrow “there are only 2” definition? Do not attempt to make God’s creation fit your laws. People are born with a spectrum of genitalia, and it does not define who they are. People are more than what’s in their pants. Your laws are opposed to the laws of nature and hurtful to humanity.**



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Any idiot with an internet connection could spend five minutes on Wikipedia and come up more informed than whomever wrote this bill. Sex assignment at birth usually aligns with a child's anatomical sex and phenotype. The number of births with ambiguous genitals is in the range of 1:4500–1:2000 (0.02%–0.05%). [3] Other conditions involve atypical chromosomes, gonads, or hormones. [4] [2] Some persons may be assigned and raised as a girl or boy but then identify with another gender later in life, while most continue to identify with their assigned sex. [5] [6] [7] The number of births where the baby is intersex has been reported differently depending on who reports and which definition of intersex is used. Anne Fausto-Sterling and her book co-authors suggest that the prevalence of "nondimorphic sexual development" might be as high as 1.7%. [8] [9] Students do not need poorly informed state congress to tell them how to identify and where to pee. They need senators who can muster the resolve to produce legislation that will actually keep them safe, from the very real threats like; infectious disease, hunger, homelessness, gun violence and the threats of rapidly accelerated climate change.



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**The lives of transgender and other LGBTQ+ people should not be infringed in public policy. Everyone has a right to feel safe, protected, and seen under Missouri law—and this law is a vitriolic violation against those principles.**



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I am a professional who used to work in St. Louis and owned a home in Maryland Heights. I lived in Missouri most of my life and earned a master's degree at Maryville University. However, because of the incompetence and hatefulness of the Missouri Legislature, both me and my partner decided to uproot our entire lives and move to Minneapolis, Minnesota, where we believe both of us would be safer as transgender people. The more you play with people's lives by proposing discriminatory bills in your legislature, the more people will leave because you do not take the safety and wellbeing of Missourians seriously. As this contemptible behavior continues, the state of Missouri will continue hemorrhaging people like me and repel economic and social development, turning it into the cesspool your hate so clearly desires. You have the power to prevent this fate. The choice is yours.





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I oppose and legislation or bill that limits or strips rights from any persons living in the state of Missouri. Every one should have access to health care, privacy, to be treated with dignity and respect, and be call what they wish, especially when it does not affect anyone but their own persons.



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Again, more gross negligence and overreach by this incompetent band of Republican puppets and clowns. I'm in opposition of any government overreach by this governing body, as, surely, you all have better things to do than whine about the LGBTQ+ community.



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I oppose any bill that forces personal opinions onto anyone in the LGBTQ+ community with the intention of suppressing said people. I believe the government should stick to appropriately delegating funds and setting laws that protect ALL US citizens, not just the ones you personally agree with according to their religion, social status, or sexual orientation. Diversity drives us forward and always has. There are members of the LGBTQ+ community who work in government, the military, and in every place in public that you can think of. These bills are oppressing your own coworkers and neighbors, even people you call friends. Opinions are not facts. Morals are subjective and cannot be forced onto others who may not share your values. If we allow bills like this, we are steps closer to events from the past that served as a means to “wipe out” populations of people en masse simply because certain individuals in the government had a personal preference against them due to racism, classism, and so on. This time, of course, it is homophobia and xenophobia. The American people need to come together to protect the pursuit of happiness for all.



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WITNESS NAME: <b>HOLLY BERNSTEIN</b>		PHONE NUMBER:
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**This bill is scientifically inaccurate. Please watch the documentary Every Body to understand this (available on Amazon Prime, and can also be rented on Apple TV or YouTube). Missouri should not be passing scientifically inaccurate laws.**



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America is founded upon the principles of individual liberty. Just as every citizen has a right to disagree with trans identity, so too do citizens have a right to self determination without the agenda-pushing state Republicans attempting it dictate how its constituents feel. Identity bares no impact in any teachers role as an educator nor their day to day functions. This is a disgusting overreach by Missouri Republicans to clamp down and dictate how the people of Missouri should think or feel. I urge anyone who cares about liberty to strike this down immediately.



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WITNESS NAME: <b>JACOB VALLE</b>		PHONE NUMBER:
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**Trans right are human rights.**



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**A brief understanding of biology beyond XX/XY would tell anyone that sex and biology cannot be legislated. This is preposterous as a bill and as an intersex Missourian, I strongly oppose it.**





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The bills are all government over-reach.



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**Please stop these harmful and hateful bills from passing and spend your energy on bills that actually matter to the safety of our families (like gun violence).**



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Chairman, Members of the Committee, My name is Jamie Howard, I am a 30 year old resident of Jefferson City and I oppose House Bill 2309. While I understand the importance of clear legal definitions, this bill oversimplifies complex matters related to gender and sex, weaponizing statutory definitions for the purpose of discriminating against certain Missourians and communities of Missourians. Imposing rigid definitions simply fails to encompass the diverse and nuanced experiences of individual Missourians. Gender and sex are complex concepts that cannot be neatly confined within static definitions, and attempting to do so accomplishes nothing but perpetuate harmful stereotypes. This bill specifies that "gender," when referring to males, females, or the natural differences between the two, shall be considered a synonym for "sex." While clarity in language is essential, this provision shows the sponsors narrow understanding of the English language as it pertains to the difference between gender and ignores the evolving understanding of gender identity, gender expression, and gender roles in our society. Since the 1950's sociologists have understood that sex refers to "the different biological and physiological characteristics within humans, such as reproductive organs, chromosomes, hormones, etc." and gender refers to "the socially constructed characteristics of women and men – such as social norms, social and expected home roles and relationships between groups of women and men. HB 2309 marginalizes the experiences of individuals whose gender identity falls outside the conventional norms. By rigidly defining terms related to sex and gender, the bill may contribute to an environment that fosters discrimination, exclusion, and inequality. I urge you to reject HB 2309. Instead, we should strive for legislation that respects the diversity of human experiences, and upholds the fundamental rights of all individuals, regardless of their gender identity. Thank you for your time.



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**This bill is redundant, unnecessary, and discriminatory. This bill targets not only transgender or LGBTQ children, but children who may or may not meet the expectations of gender appearance norms when using school restrooms, such as children of different races or ethnicity expressing hairstyles or wardrobe choices that differ from another race or ethnicity's expectations for gender appearance norms. There is no effective ethical way to test or screen what kind of sexual reproductive organs or cells a child has without unusual, extreme, and humiliating measures. Sexual interactions, misconduct, harassment, and assault are already prohibited in restrooms in public schools, and there is no need to put a child, who wishes to use a restroom that they feel most comfortable doing their private business in, through humiliation based on sex, gender, and personal expression of the self. A child does not deserve to be extensively humiliated or tested in this perverted way.**



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**I think that Missouri lawmakers spending time on this is a gross waste of time and money.**



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**There is no exact biological definition of male and female that would be correct.**



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I believe in freedom to live my life as I see fit, and the right to decide what's right for my kids and myself. I believe the government can't tell me what to do with my body, that's un-American! Missouri needs to be more focused on family values like education, gun rights and elder care support. This is a waste off our valuable resources!





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The website for Missouri Commission on Human Rights website has a section on Gender Based Harassment, which is listed on their site as a type of sexual harrassement. It states "Harassment due to gender is comparable to harassment due to race. If it is severe or pervasive enough to create an abusive working environment, then it can violate the law." Gender identity is a protected class in the US Equal Employment Opportunity Commission. This has been determined by the US Supreme Court and Title VII of the Civil Rights Act. It is also well established (including within the US Department of Labor) that gender identity is not the same as the sex assigned at birth. According to US Department of Labor, gender identity is "a person's internal sense" of gender and "one's gender identity is not necessarily visible to others." To me, forbidding someone to use the bathroom of their established gender identity is an abusive working environment. Changing the definition of gender identity does not diminish the sexual harassment. The message that I am receiving from these bills are that is legally ok to harass someone based on their gender, even though it is federally against the law. Please change the wording of the Missouri Human Rights Act to align with federal regulations and include gender identity as a form of sexual harassment, and include a common definition of what gender identity means so that it doesn't equate with sex assigned at birth.



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**You all need to take some upper level biology classes if you think “biological sex” is as simple as XX and XY.**



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The government defines no one. Balls don't make a man, obviously.



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**Bigotry and discrimination has no place in Missouri or America- especially not in legislation. I oppose these bills that target our children, families and community.**



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WITNESS NAME: <b>JENNIFER GROVE</b>		PHONE NUMBER:
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**I am opposed to this bill as it is harmful to certain individuals and offers no benefit to the greater good**



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**This bill is discriminatory and simply serves to discriminate against trans Missourians. Stop it. Vote no.**



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**This bill is anti-science. In attempting to simplify something that is complex, it discards nuance.**



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**I am writing in opposition of HB 2309. The government does not have a place to dictate what determines a persons sexual orientarion based on external and internal reproductive characteristics.**





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**Bad Bill**



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I oppose these measures as a proud LGBTQ+ Missourian who wants the status quo for all of us to be improved, not worsened. These bills, because they set obviously different standards for cis and trans people, are not lawful. Sex discrimination is not permissible in law or administration of the law! Also, this bill purports to overturn actual definitions that are used by doctors and scientists and replace them with some random person's. Absolutely not!



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I am a Missouri resident, a university student, a future social worker, and I do not support this bigoted legislation. It is absolutely wild to me that Missouri legislators think they are qualified to make these sorts of decisions. What a waste of taxpayer money. This is discrimination. I am literally planning to move out of state this year because I don't want to live in such a bigoted state.



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**I support the trans community's basic human right to exist.**



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**I oppose this bill**



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Small government means leaving private matters up to individuals. Get a grip, GOP, and focus on protecting and bolstering public works link public education, infrastructure, and election access and integrity. Government should only protect individuals' rights, not take them away. You are in Jeff City to work TOGETHER with all of the other elected representatives and find real solutions to real problems in Missouri. Do that, please.



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**All this bill does is declare which Missouri citizens can be winners, and which Missouri citizens will be losers. This is not the purpose of government.**





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I want to present my testimony opposing this bill being heard on the floor. There is a serious problem in the state of Missouri with the religious right wing of our government trying to bring in their religious beliefs to affect the lives of people who they represent negatively. This bill and others like it are a prime example of that situation. It is not our legislator's job to tell the people of Missouri the way they have to live their personal lives and who they can love. This state has so many problems such as the fact that our state ranks 33rd in education, and our teachers are paid so little that they have to have multiple jobs to pay their bills. Our state has houseless people living on the streets in the cold and children going hungry as well as people who desperately need medical care but the state legislators are putting our citizen's sexuality above these real issues that affect so many daily. we need to drop this bill and all the others like it and the Republicans in this legislature need to learn how to legislate and focus on the real issues instead of the issues that they have made up in their heads. Let people do what they want in their personal and remember it is not the state legislature's job to out children at school maybe some of you Republicans should come out instead of hiding behind this legislation. Remember Republicans don't determine the definition of Male and Female your so-called god does but your god has no place in determining legislation in our government.



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I'm writing as a born and raised Missourian who loves this state and would happily live here for the rest of my life. But laws like this one will make that impossible for me. I refuse to remain in a state where I am treated like a 2nd class citizen and subhuman for something I cannot control. I pray you legislations are able to find compassion and empathy in you hearts for Missourians like me, even if we live our lives a little differently than you. I'm writing today about the eight anti-LGBTQ+ bills being heard in the Emerging Issues committee on Wednesday, January 17. I don't understand why your party is so fixated on LGBTQ+ Missourians and hindering their ability to thrive within our state. Missouri should be a place where every single person can succeed without interference from their government. Right now, there is an education crisis within our state with schools having to drop down to four-day weeks because schools do not have enough teachers. There are also students who cannot read at their grade level. You're asking teachers to do more work? To do more without paying them a fair and livable wage? You're part of the party that specifically says government should not control what parents do, yet you're telling parents of trans youth what they can and cannot do in their schools, medical care, and beyond. Has anyone in your district asked you for these bills? Have you talked to LGBTQ+ Missourians in your district about these bills? It seems to me you're out of touch with what Missourians actually need right now.



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No Republican can tell you what a chair is. They just want to genocide trans people.**



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Lines 21-25 of this bill are legally incoherent and allow for the discrimination of individuals based upon their gender identity which I suspect is the entire rationale behind this bill. Further still there is not a viable enforcement mechanism. Absent an invasive test through what mechanism can somebody prove their gender on this basis? Indeed if we're defining gender through this mechanism there is not a mechanism through which one can decidedly prove gender absent an egg or sperm sample or otherwise an examination of genitals. This is demonstrably invasive and could be the grounds through which people could engage in discrimination on the basis of sex as well.



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**This bill and related bills are promoting a false narrative about transgenderism. Transgender individuals are not dangerous; instead, they are much more likely to be bullied and harmed by others, leading them to be at risk for depression, anxiety, and self-harm. Instead of promoting a culture of fear and hatred, we should devote resources to real problems, such as providing adequate resources to public schools so they can educate our children--ALL our children.**



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**Attempting to legislate PERSONAL issues is intrusive and deplorable. These bills dehumanize. This is not the right of the legislature.**



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**These bills are dehumanizing and put the government into something that is not a legislative issue. I'm ashamed of my state representatives that support this.**



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I oppose the anti-LGBTQ legislation in the Missouri House of Representatives. The government has no right to control the bodies of people in the U.S. That is what we call democracy. There are plenty of issues to be working on - don't create a problem where there isn't one and take away people's rights in the process.



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**I oppose this unnecessary bill.**



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**Get out of the medical field! You do not have the degree and are not qualified to define anything. I  
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**Trans rights are human rights and to take away the the rights of trans folk is inhumane and unconstitutional. They deserve the same rights and privileges as cis gendered people. Our government should not get to decide how any one person identifies and chooses to live their life. It's their body and it's their choice. As a tax payer, I am in opposition to ALL 7 of these anti-trans bills.**



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**I oppose this bill. Some people don't actually fall in one or the other category because they're born with both parts. What about those? You can't pick a single category sometimes**



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**This bill is harmful to the citizens of Missouri and restrict personal freedom and liberties you are sworn to protect. This bill protects no one, benefits no one, and only harms transgender individuals. Focus your attention to the real needs of your citizens.**



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I am opposed to efforts by the Missouri legislature to define "sex," "gender," and other related terms in ways that are scientifically incorrect, which is the case with this bill. The definitions proposed in this bill are at odds with the definitions of these terms that are recognized by experts in the medical field as well as in other professional fields. The only purpose this bill serves is to create means of discriminating against transgender and nonbinary individuals. We have plenty of real problems in Missouri that our lawmakers could be working to address. Defining "sex" and "gender" is not one of them. I urge you to oppose this bill.



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**Before passing this bill, I urge you to have an open mind, & talk to more of your constituents to see if this is truly needed. Everyone should be treated equally. Thanks for your consideration.**



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**There is no point at all to this. It will just waste taxpayer money while thousands of citizens flood the DMV to get new documents. There is no benefit to this at all. It is also scientifically inaccurate to limit biological sex to a binary. There are as many intersex people as there are red headed people. Are you going to change the legal definition of natural hair color to not include red?**



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**These bill is atrocious and violate people's civil rights. Please stop trying to justify your ignorance and bigotry by passing horrific legislation.**





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**These bills are not based in scientific fact about the difference between gender and sex. These bills are based in hurtful disinformation and discrimination. These bills will hurt people. These bills will cause harm. PLEASE listen to parents with trans kids, listen to trans people. Listen to science and reason, not biased ideologies.**



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The proposed "Defining SEX Act" is not just a bill; it's a regressive step that threatens the rights and dignity of transgender individuals. By rigidly defining terms like "boy," "girl," "man," and "woman" in a binary and narrow sense, this bill fails to recognize the diverse and valid experiences of transgender people. Moreover, by explicitly disassociating "gender" from "gender identity," it perpetuates a harmful narrative that disregards the lived realities of transgender individuals. Such legislation not only ignores the progress made towards inclusivity but actively reinforces discriminatory norms. It is imperative that we reject this bill, as it not only undermines the principles of equality and acceptance but also jeopardizes the well-being of transgender individuals who deserve respect, recognition, and protection under the law.



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Together, my husband and I have served the United States through the US Navy, the Foreign Service, the United States Agency for International Development, and the Peace Corps for our entire professional lives. In the last decade we have been proud to serve abroad in Haiti, West and Central Africa and the Middle East, where we've raised our children since they were infants. Perhaps the best thing about raising children in poor countries is that they see injustice daily, think about it, and call it out as wrong. When they look out the window, they are forced to think about the accidents of birth dictating which children eat and which go to bed hungry every night. They have been raised in places of hardship and gross inequality, so they know that America is great, because its very soul is the idea we fought to defend "that all men are created equal, that they are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable Rights, that among these are Life, Liberty and the pursuit of Happiness." As we contemplate our return, we are dismayed and despondent that the home to which we will be bringing our children has become a place of stark division between what is RIGHT and what is PATENTLY WRONG. This bill, and others seeking is WRONG. It's a direct, unprovoked assault on fundamental human rights, not just of transgender people, but of their allies, and their communities. Because it's not just the people this bill targets that you hurt; you may not care that transgender people suffer, but when you enshrine inequality and injustice in laws with no evidence base you weaken your entire community. You say that it must comply with laws that will make no actual difference to the safety of the population at large but will increase the number of transgender people who die simply for being transgender. You tell them that reason is irrelevant, and that Rights (capital R, like the founder meant them) do not matter. You attack the happiness of everyone. We may be across the world today, but we are coming home soon. Don't let the loud voices of an embittered minority transform Missouri into an island of hate in our great country, an island we could never choose as home. Be a place where we could raise my children knowing that they will be a part of a community that protects its people. All of its people. Because transgender rights aren't just for transgender people, they are for all of us, and we ALL need to know our rights will be protected, no matter what color we are, no matter what religion we practice, no matter how much money we have, no matter where we happen to have been born, or no matter what pronoun we use.



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<b>Stop legislating your hate and bigotry.</b>		



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Any biologist can tell you, while gender is assigned at birth, occasionally during gestation something goes wrong, wires get crossed so-to-speak, and a child is born as a physical male or female, but internally and mentally they come to realize they are the opposite gender, living in the wrong body. This is established science. It has nothing to do with sexual orientation. In fact some transgender people are asexual. When bills are passed forcing trans people to identify as the gender assigned at birth, or use the wrong facilities, it is cruel and humiliating. It affects their ability to get essential healthcare, education, employment, and marginalizes them further. As an ally and a family member to trans and non-binary children, I've seen firsthand how bills like this violate human rights and persecute citizens. There are a lot of us, and we vote for people who research the science, listen to constituents, and don't force Missourians to have to leave the state to access healthcare and education rights.





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**We are not in the businesses of classifying people on the basis of anatomy or genetics. Stick to the regular curriculum. It should be considered and allowed as a human right if one is basing their selves and have identified themselves with a particular gender identity,gender expression or a specific gender role. State law and admin rules should make allowances for the term sex and /gender, as this is not the business of teachers/or staff to determine or discriminate on!**



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WITNESS NAME: <b>LEAH STALLONE</b>		PHONE NUMBER:
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EMAIL: <b>leah_stallone@yahoo.com</b>	ATTENDANCE: <b>Written</b>	SUBMIT DATE: <b>1/17/2024 8:54 PM</b>
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**Stop punishing trans kids.**



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WITNESS NAME: <b>LESLIE JONES</b>		PHONE NUMBER:
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EMAIL: <b>lesliejones.mo@gmail.com</b>	ATTENDANCE: <b>Written</b>	SUBMIT DATE: <b>1/17/2024 9:55 PM</b>
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**I find it very sad that my legislators are focused on restricting rights of a minority of Missourians rather than advancing the state and addressing issues that could benefit all of us. Do better**



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WITNESS NAME: <b>LINDSAY TIPPETT BEANSMITH</b>		PHONE NUMBER:
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CITY:		STATE:                  ZIP:
EMAIL: <b>lindsay.beansmith@gmail.com</b>	ATTENDANCE: <b>Written</b>	SUBMIT DATE: <b>1/17/2024 2:39 PM</b>
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**Protect trans, nonbinary, and intersex Missourians**



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WITNESS NAME: <b>LISA CAVENDER</b>		PHONE NUMBER:
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CITY:		STATE:      ZIP:
EMAIL: <b>Cavenders4458@gmail.com</b>	ATTENDANCE: <b>Written</b>	SUBMIT DATE: <b>1/17/2024 6:11 AM</b>
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**Why does the MO legislature continue to focus on the LGBTQ community when there are so many other critical issues this state needs to address.? It is a waste of time & resources.**



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WITNESS NAME: <b>LISA MANZO-PRESTON</b>		PHONE NUMBER:
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CITY:		STATE:      ZIP:
EMAIL: <b>lisamanzopreston@gmail.com</b>	ATTENDANCE: <b>Written</b>	SUBMIT DATE: <b>1/17/2024 6:56 PM</b>
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**With all due respect, I am requesting that lawmakers focus on issues relevant to the taxpayers and voters of this state and leave medical decisions and private personal matters in the hands of doctors, patients and their families. The lack of focus on critical issues by lawmakers is concerning. I do not wish to live in a state with morality police. Please focus on the economy, creating better educational opportunities for the citizens of this state and gun violence, which is killing our youth. Thank you.**



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WITNESS NAME: <b>LISA REES</b>		PHONE NUMBER:
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CITY:		STATE:                  ZIP:
EMAIL: <b>thereesranch@gmail.com</b>	ATTENDANCE: <b>Written</b>	SUBMIT DATE: <b>1/16/2024 6:25 AM</b>
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**Why is the Missouri legislature focusing on a group of people who make up less than 2% of the population? Why are you going back on your word regarding the time limit for the law banning gender affirming care for minors? This obsession the legislature has with transgender people is mind boggling. Missouri has real problems. We are 50th in teacher pay, 44th in maternal mortality, 4th in gun related deaths, and CNBC just ranked Missouri in the top 10 WORST states in which to live. Please stop this madness. Leave transgender and all LGBTQ people alone and start working on the real problems in our state. These constant attacks on people who are already suffering is turning us against one another.**



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WITNESS NAME: <b>LISA SPAHR</b>		PHONE NUMBER:
BUSINESS/ORGANIZATION NAME:		TITLE:
ADDRESS:		
CITY:		STATE:      ZIP:
EMAIL: <b>llspahr@gmail.com</b>	ATTENDANCE: <b>Written</b>	SUBMIT DATE: <b>1/16/2024 2:08 PM</b>
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**Let's just say it... because the bible does. I'll challenge you with what would Jesus do? And, it's not this. Don't we have a budget to focus on? Get out of our kids pants.**





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WITNESS NAME: <b>LYDIA CALDERON</b>		PHONE NUMBER:
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CITY:		STATE:      ZIP:
EMAIL: <b>lydiacalderon97@gmail.com</b>	ATTENDANCE: <b>Written</b>	SUBMIT DATE: <b>1/17/2024 3:59 PM</b>
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**The implication of only two genders is a false dichotomy. This is agreed upon within the scientific community as well as the medical community. It is not the job of legislators to decide definitions pertaining to biology.**



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WITNESS NAME: <b>MADISON CLARK</b>		PHONE NUMBER:
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CITY:		STATE:      ZIP:
EMAIL: <b>madisonclark@yahoo.com</b>	ATTENDANCE: <b>Written</b>	SUBMIT DATE: <b>1/17/2024 10:24 AM</b>
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**There is no place for anti-trans or anti-queer legislation in Missouri. As the 'Show Me' state, where our character is what is supposed to matter more than anything else, this is a pitiful and unacceptable attempt to demoralize and punish trans people for living their authentic lives.**



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<b>REGISTERED LOBBYIST:</b>			
WITNESS NAME: <b>MAGGIE EDMONDSON</b>		PHONE NUMBER: <b>314-368-1137</b>	
REPRESENTING: <b>ABORTION ACTION MISSOURI (FORMERLY PRO-CHOICE MISSOURI)</b>		TITLE:	
ADDRESS: <b>1210 S VANDEVENTER AVE</b>			
CITY: <b>ST. LOUIS</b>		STATE: <b>MO</b>	ZIP: <b>63110</b>
EMAIL: <b>maggie@abortionactionmissouri.org</b>	ATTENDANCE: <b>Written</b>	SUBMIT DATE: <b>1/17/2024 1:46 PM</b>	
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WITNESS NAME: <b>MAKENNA NICKENS</b>		PHONE NUMBER:
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CITY:		STATE:      ZIP:
EMAIL: <b>mnix1209@gmail.com</b>	ATTENDANCE: <b>Written</b>	SUBMIT DATE: <b>1/14/2024 6:48 PM</b>
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Gender and sex are not one and the same. Sex is a biological condition based on types of chromosomes present in DNA and sex is not limited to male and female as intersex individuals also exist. Gender is an assignment based on stereotypes and roles. One can identify as a gender separate from the biological sex they were born with.



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WITNESS NAME: <b>MALLORY SIMONS</b>		PHONE NUMBER:	
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CITY:		STATE:	ZIP:
EMAIL: <b>mallorysimons@gmail.com</b>		ATTENDANCE: <b>Written</b>	SUBMIT DATE: <b>1/16/2024 9:33 PM</b>
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WITNESS NAME: <b>MARANDA PROVANCE</b>		PHONE NUMBER:
BUSINESS/ORGANIZATION NAME:		TITLE:
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CITY:		STATE:      ZIP:
EMAIL: <b>maranda.provance@gmail.com</b>	ATTENDANCE: <b>Written</b>	SUBMIT DATE: <b>1/17/2024 1:40 PM</b>
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**It is so important that we allow people to be who they are. We do not need legislation to penalize or restrict freedoms for trans people. Let's lead with our hearts and not pass these bills.**



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WITNESS NAME: <b>MARION MILLER</b>		PHONE NUMBER:
BUSINESS/ORGANIZATION NAME:		TITLE:
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CITY:		STATE:      ZIP:
EMAIL: <b>mjm314@charter.net</b>	ATTENDANCE: <b>Written</b>	SUBMIT DATE: <b>1/15/2024 12:33 PM</b>

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**Unless you are genetic biology experts, you have no business doing this. This is also not a biblical issue. You have no idea how many babies are born with both sets of reproductive organs, or none. Stick to politics.**



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WITNESS NAME: <b>MARLIN CROUCH</b>		PHONE NUMBER:
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EMAIL: <b>mlcrouch2003@gmail.com</b>	ATTENDANCE: <b>Written</b>	SUBMIT DATE: <b>1/17/2024 1:34 PM</b>
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**This will completely harm & put countless adult, children and young adult's lives in danger solely because they are transgender. Transgender rights are human rights.**





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WITNESS NAME: <b>MARSHA LERENBERG</b>		PHONE NUMBER:
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CITY:		STATE:      ZIP:
EMAIL: <b>marsha.lerenberg@gmail.com</b>	ATTENDANCE: <b>Written</b>	SUBMIT DATE: <b>1/14/2024 11:32 PM</b>

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I oppose this legislation and urge your NO vote. It is nothing but an unjustified and unnecessary attack on transgender Missourians. This continued assault on our LGBT citizens is harmful and wrong. Our state unfortunately has already received negative national news coverage because of this obsession with attacking LGB and trans children. I respectfully suggest using our Missouri state motto as a guide for legislation: "The welfare of the people shall be the supreme law". If the welfare of the people is not served then don't pass it.



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WITNESS NAME: <b>MARTHA KEELEY</b>		PHONE NUMBER:
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EMAIL: <b>keeleyfamily@yahoo.com</b>	ATTENDANCE: <b>Written</b>	SUBMIT DATE: <b>1/15/2024 7:58 PM</b>
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**This bill presumes that all aspects of the way that hormones, genes, and brain development interact are well understood. They are not, and trying to legislate such complicated human situations is futile.**



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WITNESS NAME: <b>MARY CHITWOOD</b>		PHONE NUMBER:
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CITY:		STATE:      ZIP:
EMAIL: <b>chrissyhitwood@gmail.com</b>	ATTENDANCE: <b>Written</b>	SUBMIT DATE: <b>1/17/2024 10:28 AM</b>
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**These bills are wrong & can harm these individuals by vilifying them. There is no beef for these laws to exist. Let people be who they are**



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WITNESS NAME: <b>MARY E. WILCUTT</b>		PHONE NUMBER:
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EMAIL: <b>marypaints4jc@aol.com</b>	ATTENDANCE: <b>Written</b>	SUBMIT DATE: <b>1/17/2024 9:36 PM</b>
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**There is nothing scientific about questioning an individual's sex. Genetically a male is a male and a female is a female. I believe it is damaging to an individual to lie. What confusion! The whole issue is offensive.**



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WITNESS NAME: <b>MARY JO HARKINS</b>		PHONE NUMBER:	
BUSINESS/ORGANIZATION NAME:		TITLE:	
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CITY:		STATE:	ZIP:
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WITNESS NAME: <b>MATTHEW PHILLIPS</b>		PHONE NUMBER:
BUSINESS/ORGANIZATION NAME:		TITLE:
ADDRESS:		
CITY:		STATE:      ZIP:
EMAIL: <b>mattphillips87@gmail.com</b>	ATTENDANCE: <b>Written</b>	SUBMIT DATE: <b>1/16/2024 6:30 PM</b>

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**For a state legislature to spend time on definitions of male and female when we have so many more pressing issues is ridiculous. This bill is a waste of time and taxpayer money.**



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WITNESS NAME: <b>MAY HALL</b>		PHONE NUMBER:	
BUSINESS/ORGANIZATION NAME:		TITLE:	
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WITNESS NAME: <b>MEGAN CROOKSHANKS</b>		PHONE NUMBER:
BUSINESS/ORGANIZATION NAME:		TITLE:
ADDRESS:		
CITY:		STATE:      ZIP:
EMAIL: <b>meganjcrookshanks@gmail.com</b>	ATTENDANCE: <b>Written</b>	SUBMIT DATE: <b>1/16/2024 8:43 PM</b>
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I am a Missouri resident, business owner and mother of 3. Two of my children are transgender and have been sour since the age of 13 and 18. I also have a nephew who is transgender. They are now all in their 20's. It was long and difficult journey for us to find the support they needed to have the confidence to participate in high school, college and in our workforce. These bills hurt my family's ability to live and work. They make it difficult find appropriate care, to insure they are respected and treated well in the workplace. If these bills pass. I don't think we can continue to live here. You'll break up our family. Would you live somewhere your children are denied their American rights as citizens? I'm beside myself with worry and unease wondering what we and the rest of my family will do if we have to leave these beautiful ozarks. To have start my business over in another state. Please consider the significant distress you will place on families who are just trying to live, work and take care of our communities.





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WITNESS NAME: <b>MEGAN HARRISON</b>		PHONE NUMBER:
BUSINESS/ORGANIZATION NAME:		TITLE:
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CITY:		STATE:      ZIP:
EMAIL: <b>mlynneharrison@gmail.com</b>	ATTENDANCE: <b>Written</b>	SUBMIT DATE: <b>1/17/2024 1:30 PM</b>

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This is discriminatory against transgender people who are in various stages of receiving medical care and is based off a definition of biological sex that isn't based on science, but on uninformed opinion. If something is going to be made law it needs to be in the best interest of ours population, and that includes transgendered people who are not hurting anyone by existing. Biological sex friends on many factors. People can have XX chromosomes and be born with a penis, and vice versa. Some people have XXY chromosomes. Hormones play a role. And some people have indistinguishable sex organs, or internally hidden ones. We can't make up our own definitions based on fear and misunderstanding and prejudice. Look to science.



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EMAIL: <b>birdsinapuddle@gmail.com</b>	ATTENDANCE: <b>Written</b>	SUBMIT DATE: <b>1/17/2024 12:24 PM</b>

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**I oppose this bill that would end legal recognition for trans people, like my son, who are simply trying to live their lives in peace and safety**



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WITNESS NAME: <b>MELANIE BUSSE</b>		PHONE NUMBER:
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**This bill effectively allows discrimination against transgender people and is motivated by ignorance, misinformation and fear. This bill defines sex as only male or female, typically based on a person's presumed reproductive anatomy, chromosomes, hormones, or other physical characteristics as birth. But science has shown that sex is a complex category. You can't force everything into one box.**



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WITNESS NAME: <b>MELISSA HOLDEN</b>		PHONE NUMBER:
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EMAIL: <b>melissa@holden5.com</b>	ATTENDANCE: <b>Written</b>	SUBMIT DATE: <b>1/17/2024 2:45 PM</b>
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**Leave trans kids alone! These bills are unnecessary.**



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WITNESS NAME: <b>MELISSA LORD</b>		PHONE NUMBER:
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WITNESS NAME: <b>MERLEN WHITE</b>		PHONE NUMBER:
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**Please!! Making any final decision on gender that is not based on science is NIT something that should even be considered by state legislators. What is the purpose of making a ruling on gender other than pushing legislation restricting an individual's right? Keep politics out of this issue!**



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WITNESS NAME: <b>MICHAEL DREYER</b>		PHONE NUMBER:
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CITY:		STATE:      ZIP:
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The proposed "Defining SEX Act" is not just a bill; it's a regressive step that threatens the rights and dignity of transgender individuals. By rigidly defining terms like "boy," "girl," "man," and "woman" in a binary and narrow sense, this bill fails to recognize the diverse and valid experiences of transgender people. Moreover, by explicitly disassociating "gender" from "gender identity," it perpetuates a harmful narrative that disregards the lived realities of transgender individuals. Such legislation not only ignores the progress made towards inclusivity but actively reinforces discriminatory norms. It is imperative that we reject this bill, as it not only undermines the principles of equality and acceptance but also jeopardizes the well-being of transgender individuals who deserve respect, recognition, and protection under the law.



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WITNESS NAME: <b>MICHAEL R WALK</b>		PHONE NUMBER:
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I am Michael Walk. I live in St. Louis County, and am the father of a transgender daughter. I oppose HB 2309. My daughter was a dangerously depressed kid before she came out to us as trans. We were worried constantly as she suffered, tried antidepressants, then different antidepressants, then yet more antidepressants. It is no exaggeration to say that we feared for her life. Once she came out, the depression started to lift. The biggest difference was when she was ready to live openly as transgender. Her spirits lifted after she came out at school, and with each affirmation of her own name and identity. She was eventually able to wean off of all antidepressant medication, and doesn't need it to this day. She is thriving in every way. Comes now HB 2309, which would legally enshrine a notion of sex and gender appropriate to a high school biology class from the 1940's. Biology has come a long way since then. We now know that gender, sex, and sexuality are governed not only by the primary markers (XX, XY) but by other markers across the genome. Basic biology is easier to understand, but advanced biology is more accurate. Why, then has this bill been proposed? It is obvious that the aim of this bill is to legislate transgender, nonbinary, and intersex people out of existence. Those who are uncomfortable with the fact that such people exist would like to pretend that they don't. The fact is that they do exist, no matter what our laws say. Rather than pass laws like this which harm people like my daughter, let us accept and tolerate those whose reality is different than what many of us learned in kindergarten. Transgender people being themselves harms no one at all. Please, leave them alone. Vote no on HB 2309. It doesn't deserve a hearing.





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WITNESS NAME: <b>MICHAELA BOGNER</b>		PHONE NUMBER:
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**Missouri politicians need to worry more about passing legislation that will help all Missourians rather than meddling in the private affairs of a select few.**



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WITNESS NAME: <b>MICHELE SILER</b>		PHONE NUMBER:
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Allowing Missouri students access to the bathrooms and locker rooms is actually a simple, kind act. Denying students the right to use facilities aligned with their gender identity is harmful and dangerous for trans gender childrens' mental and physical well being. As the number of trans gender children in Missouri is so small, I would suggest our legislators spend time on issues that do not attack a small handful, but rather that could lift up the most students possible, for instance, increasing teacher pay. Please spend time and energy on that.



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WITNESS NAME: <b>MIKA ROSS</b>		PHONE NUMBER:
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**Gender is a social construct.**



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WITNESS NAME: <b>MIRANDA SAGE WOLFEZOGG</b>		PHONE NUMBER:
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**What about people who are BORN intersex? Are you going to FORCE a gender procedure on them?  
Going to tell them they aren't a person bc they aren't male or female?**



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WITNESS NAME: <b>MOLLIE MCAULEY</b>		PHONE NUMBER:
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**We should be expanding the rights of the vulnerable, not attacking them.**



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Gender affirming care is supported by large bodies of research, and is necessary in reduction of harm to trans individuals. As a parent of a transgender child and the partner of a transgender spouse, I fear for the lives of those I love if decisions are not left up to my family and the experts.



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I oppose this bill. It is specifically meant to discriminate against trans people and it will make their lives much harder. If someone lives their whole life as a certain gender and are recognized as such by much of society, it is best for everyone if the law reflects that.



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I am writing this as a junior in high school in MO. It is such an antiquated view to define "gender," "sex" and "sex assigned at birth" as the same thing, while "gender identity" as something separate. I have always been taught that "gender identity" is what you feel inside, while "sex assigned at birth" is merely a label given to you to describe your body when you were born. Most of my peers aren't concerned with what body parts others have, but merely how they'd like to be addressed. Also, it is backed up by science that trans people's brains align more with the gender they identify with than the one they were born as. "Evidence further suggests that brain anatomy and neuronal signaling pathways are more closely aligned with a person's perceived gender identity." <https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pmc/articles/PMC7415463/> Please vote no on this bill, because its language lives in the past. I hope we can all catch up to the present, where people's minds matter much more than their bodies.



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WITNESS NAME: <b>PAMELA K HILL</b>		PHONE NUMBER:
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WITNESS NAME: <b>PAUL HARPER</b>		PHONE NUMBER:
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**This bill does not comport to medical reality.**



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To whom it may concern, I am writing as an individual and a born and raised St. Louis resident in opposition of the following collection of bills that if passed will greatly harm the health, safety, and wellbeing of transgender individuals and youth in Missouri: HB 1519, HB 1520, HB1674, HB 2309, HB 2308, HB 2355, and HB 2357. As a trans individual who grew up in St. Louis and faced discrimination among peers and especially adults throughout my schooling all the way through graduating high school, the anti-trans legislation within these bills will prove incredibly more damaging to trans youth who are already facing intense discrimination without the addition of legislation. It has been documented and verified that 82% of trans youth have considered suicide and 40% have actually attempted suicide, and bills such as HB 2309 increases the likelihood of trans youth deaths by an inconceivable amount and provides no actual benefit to youth, nor does it make the lives and wellbeing of parents easier. Additionally there is considerable research stating that the non-affirming actions entailed within this bill are incredibly damaging to trans youth and truly do no good that should even make them a consideration to pass within legislation. Thus, I am writing to strongly oppose the passing of this bill. Thank you for your time and consideration in helping support the wellbeing and lives of trans youth across Missouri. Kindly, Raven McCoy



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**Can you all address any real issues instead of these relentless attacks on the beautiful diversity of humans**





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**These bills are deeply embarrassing. Leave trans people alone.**



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The only thing this bill does is show the ignorance and prejudice of those that would take a medical reality and turn it into a bully pulpit so-called moral issue and political football. No matter how you try, you cannot legislate what a person intrinsically is. All you do is succeed in traumatizing that person by not allowing them the same rights as others. That trauma turns into serious mental health issues including suicidality. As a clinical social worker I have seen this time and again. How a child is to be treated is a private family matter. Parents, child and doctors should decide about care, birth certificates, bathrooms etc. **GOVERNMENT SHOULD NOT ATTEMPT TO LEGISLATE these issues.**



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I am in strong opposition to this. I have a daughter and a son -- I don't need anyone asking to see or asking them about their genitals or sex organs to decide if they are eligible for basic human rights. This again, is a complete waste of our taxpayer dollars.



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**This is not a new thing. People who don't align with their biological sex have been around for a long time. Everything is not black and white. This is going to cause the suicide rate to go up.**



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These bills show us our legislators want to make it impossible for LGBTQ+ youth to be themselves in schools, to get the medical care they need, for school environments to recognize the beautiful, diverse, and complicated reality of our collective histories, for trans and gender expansive people to work and use restrooms safely, and they aim to enshrine legal inequality for LGBTQ+ Missourians. This is an attack on the LGBTQ+ community including the vulnerable populations of trans, BIPOC trans, and trans women of color, LGBTQ+ students, and families already harmed by last year's legislation. There is no place for anti-trans or anti-queer legislation in Missouri!



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**Doesn't the dictionary already have definitions for these terms? What is the purpose of this bill? Could you not find a better title than Defining SEX Act?**



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**What problem is this bill trying to solve? This bill seems to have no purpose other than to declare that people who don't fall into these narrow definitions basically don't or shouldn't exist. I strongly oppose this bill.**



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The linkage of biological sex at birth to gender identity is flawed. The mere existence of transgender people affirms that sex itself is an imperfect predictor of people's gender identity. Moreover, intersex individuals demonstrates that biological sex does not map onto gender, so this linkage is unsound from purely a scientific perspective. Assigned biological sex serving as the basis of gender roles is merely a social construct linking norms and expectations of how a person should look, act and behave with a particular gender, which is then enforced throughout childhood and entrenched over time. The brutal force of gender is readily apparent in the amount of violence faced by transgender individuals for their bravery to embrace an identity that aligns with their internal self. Breaking the linkage allows people to choose freely what gender role to inhabit!





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Transgender people do not pose any harm to the safety of children, adults, or any humane institution. Transgender individuals deserve human rights to safety, community, and the pursuit of truth and happiness. This bill threatens these rights and pushes to further marginalize and endanger a highly oppressed group of people. The ramifications of this bill, if implemented, will without a doubt be the deaths of hundreds if not thousands of individuals, including children, who will see that their government has chosen to abandon them to the wolves. A government that has become wolves which feed on the blood of the oppressed. Take into consideration the crucial responsibility you have to the most persecuted of groups in this state, and reflect on what choice you can make to ensure Missouri is a place of hope and safety for all.



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I am appalled at all the bills being proposed to interfere in peoples personal lives. You are taking our State down a dangerous path with these bigoted bills. Do not pass bills that harm people in Missouri, like this one does. I oppose this legislation.



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I am a mental health provider and queer person living in Missouri. Many of my clients would be harmed by these bills. I cannot stress enough to you how harmful and inhumane these bills are. The science and medical community agree that affirming care and affirming communities save lives. I would like to ask you to consider why you would consider pursuing policies that you objectively know will endanger the lives of the citizens you were elected to represent. We deserve better than to be used as political pawns to whip up your base with hate and outrage. We are real people just trying to carve out a life in this state, caring for our neighbors, and living with a radical hope that our communities will see us and treat us as human beings with inherent value.



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The only reason any of these bills are "emerging issues" is due to the increased visibility of trans people and our struggles, and the increased targeting of trans people by the reactionary Republican party. Trans people have always existed, will continue to exist as long as humanity exists. To even consider any of these bills is an insult to freedom of expression, and an insult to human empathy. Trans people are normal, and are not a threat to any community, regardless of what anyone might think. We simply wish to live our lives in peace. No one's coming after your children, no one's peeping on women in the restroom, children aren't getting surgeries at the drop of a hat, none of what you believe is happening is actually happening, and I believe you know this. But you don't care. For we, trans people, are simply pawns for you to use to retain power. Should any of these bills pass, we will continue to exist, and we will make our voices louder than ever before we will be more visible, more powerful, and more undeniable while for you, the smidgen of power you sought will slowly fade away, and whatever legacy you think you'll have will fade with it. Your names will be tainted with bigotry before they fade into the collective obscurity. All this, while we remain, always and forever, free.



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**This bill is written in fear-based language and does not align to the spirit of independence, liberty, and humanity that the US and Missouri were founded on. I strongly oppose this bill, and the inordinate amount of time and energy being spent to exclude those who are different from its authors.**



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Done! For people who haven't done it yet, here's what I wrote for each, feel free to use as you wish:  
There is no place for anti-trans or anti-queer legislation in Missouri. As the 'Show Me' state, where our character is what is supposed to matter more than anything else, this is a pitiful and unacceptable attempt to demoralize and punish trans people for living their authentic lives.





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I am in opposition to this bill because it is harmful to the LGBTQ community. To force people to identify with the gender on their birth certificates rather than the gender they identify with is harmful. It forces people to be something they are not which negatively affects mental, emotional, behavioral and social wellness. Many people experience anxiety and depression when they are not able to identify with the gender that they feel most like.



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If HB2309 is passed and signed into law, then my legal status as a transgender neurobiologist in the state of Missouri will fall into question. For this and related reasons, large professional organizations in my field, such as the Society for Neuroscience, will not be able to assure the safety of its transgender members there and, I would hope, would not hold future conferences there. Both the 4th Annual (1974) and 20th Annual (1990) conferences were held in St. Louis. I attended the latter, and I spent a lot of money in St. Louis, as did approximately 20,000 other attendees. Until recent years, the SfN occasionally held conferences in locations such as New Orleans (2012, 2003, 2000), Atlanta (2006), and Miami (1999). However, due to the escalation of culture wars and the inability of SfN to assure safety for its diverse membership in many red states, more recent conferences have been held mostly in Washington, DC (2023, 2017, 2014, 2011), San Diego (2022, 2018, 20, 16, 2013), and Chicago (2019, 2015). I am grateful for my organization's support in this regard. Oppressive and backwards legislation such as HB 2309 will continue to drive business away from Missouri, as businesses and professional organizations avoid locations hostile to their diverse employees, membership, and clientele. It would be very intelligent for the Missouri General Assembly to kill this bill and similar bills, and to repeal similar discriminatory statutes already on the books. So as to make Missouri a more inclusive place where I and my family are safe to visit, work, attend professional conferences, and spend our money, I urge you to kill HB2309.



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I am against all seven of these bills, because there are far more important issues in the state of Missouri than harassing and demonizing the LGBTQ community. You all said "LGBTQ issues would take a backseat" for the legislative session this year, we have real work to do". So why have you chosen to lie to the citizens of this state? These bills serve no actual purpose but to bully a marginalized community. These bills will not fix our roads, bring jobs in or do anything to better this state. I'm a proud Missourian, born and raised here. I am also a queer transgender Missourian. I've never left despite opportunities to do so. But I am ashamed of your pathetic attempts to bully us. We aren't going anywhere. Get right with yourselves, because I promise you your constituents are sick and tired of this. And we will vote you out. And whatever god you believe will not thank you for this. They will shun you.



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**This is blatantly government overreach**



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I am in opposition of these bills as a mental health student therapist and supporter of the transgender community. Every human being, every student should be respected and given the same rights without retaliation or fear of while living in Missouri. There are already laws in place protecting employee and student privacy. Adding specifically targeted gender laws in place is a direct violation of human rights.



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I am opposed to HB 2309. This bill is an attempt to write intersex, transgender, and nonbinary Missourians out of state law, and to reject the concept of gender as different from sex, despite the fact that the Supreme Court ruled just that in 2020. Removing these groups from Missouri laws doesn't make them go away, it just makes Missouri in violation of federal law. Please reject this bill.



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**This definition is against reason and logic, both biological and even biblical. Please stop wasting public resources of this absurdity.**





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**These bills expose a cruelty to my friends and family. Why would this be an issue? It is not. It is political theater. Please focus on real issues. Perhaps you should look into clergy sexual abuse against minors. That is an actual thing. Shame on whoever brought this up.**



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You don't get to set definitions of things based on your feelings, and gender and sex are distinct and different from one another, as any person with the smallest amount of brain cells understands. There are people born with mixed genitalia, since all you adults seem to think about are what is in people's pants (perverts). 1.7% of the population (greater than that of the trans population) are born intersex, so what happens then? I only see two definitions here, and neither one accounts for those cases. Are those 1.7% non-human to you, by definition? No? Then GTFO with this nonsense.



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Opposition to HB 1519, 1520, 1674, 2308, 2309, 2355, & 2357 Please accept this written testimony on behalf of the Jewish Community Relations Council of St. Louis in opposition to these bills. The Jewish Community Relations Council (JCRC), guided by Jewish values, advocates, educates, collaborates and mobilizes action on issues important to the Jewish community, 60,000 strong in St. Louis. We are committed to pursuing religious tolerance, civic discourse and social justice in St. Louis and beyond. One of the strongest ethical principles in Judaism is kavod habriyot, human dignity. Every individual is entitled to kavod habriyot by having been made b'tzelem elohim, in God's image. As an organization grounded in Jewish values, we have an ethical and moral responsibility to fight for a society that ensures the humanity, dignity, and equality of all people. Every person is entitled to live without fear of persecution, harassment, or discrimination. For centuries, there has been recognition within Judaism and Jewish movements of a diverse spectrum of sex and gender identities. Across Jewish legal codes and rabbinic commentary, there are hundreds of references to at least six different genders. Many of our texts affirm the existence of transgender, intersex, and genderfluid individuals and acknowledge that gender may change after birth. Multiple federal courts have ruled that federal sex discrimination laws – including Title VII, Title IX, the Fair Housing Act, Equal Credit Opportunity Act, and Section 1557 of the Affordable Care Act – also prohibit discrimination against transgender people. Transgender athletes participate in sports for the same reasons as everyone else — to learn good sportsmanship, get and stay healthy, be part of a team, and build a sense of belonging with their peers. Our laws should protect transgender youth and adults, not encourage discrimination against them. Transgender people of all ages should not have to justify their existence to this committee, this legislature, or any other sitting body. If this government is to uphold its creed to “Let the welfare of the people be the supreme law,” then it is incumbent on you to ensure the rights of all Missourians to live their lives as their full selves. We urge you to oppose these bills.



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My adult child is transgender, as are a number of students I have taught. (I am a middle- and high-school English teacher.) I believe these bills are products of ignorance and bigotry--and that they are being used to frighten people at the expense of fellow citizens, fellow human beings. These bills are also being used to cynically gain political power. I doubt that the sponsors of these bills know anyone--let alone love anyone--who is trans. If they did, I cannot imagine they would go to such lengths to dehumanize them. I believe it is deeply wrong to provide statutory definitions of "sex," "gender," "male," "female," etc. in the Missouri Human Rights Act following a scientifically incorrect binary based on internal and external reproductive characteristics.



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**You are making this state unlivable for anyone who isn't white, Christian, and heterosexual. Medical decisions are between folks and their doctor. Bathroom legislation is a cruel joke to distract from bigotry.**



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I am vehemently opposed to the slate of hateful anti-LGBTQ bills that are being proposed, including this deeply discriminatory and scientifically incorrect bill. I want all people to feel safe and welcomed in Missouri and these bills send exactly the opposite message. Bills like this do nothing but encourage hatred and incite violence against LGBTQ people. In addition, striving to provide statutory definitions of "sex," "gender," "male," "female," etc. follows a scientifically incorrect binary based on internal and external reproductive characteristics. The GOP's continued hate-fueled assault on the LGBTQ community will discourage new business investment in our communities and keep skilled labor from moving into the state, resulting in major economic impacts on our state. We already rank very low on various lists of states to work and live. Additionally, there are so many other important issues that actually face Missourians that deserve your attention. Missouri was only one of a small handful of states whose GDP actually decreased in 2023. Our starting teachers are the lowest paid in the country. We fund schools at 49th in the nation. Over 30% of Missouri schools now run a 4-day week due to a lack of funding. Missouri's violent crime rate is among the nation's highest. Missouri ranks in the bottom third of all states for children's health. We are one of only four states who actually have an experienced a significant increase in infant mortality and rank near the highest with maternal mortality rates. There are so many other things Missouri legislature needs to focus on, and your tax paying constituents deserve more than this.



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I strongly oppose this bills.It is my opinion that this committee (and the majority of members of the Missouri Legislature) do not have the medical/psychological expertise necessary to decide such complicated issues. I oppose all sexuall bullying efforts on the part of Missouri's lawmakers. Continuing to focus on sexuality issues is an obvious ploy to divide Missourians and to score political points. Our tax dollars would be better spent if legislators would concentrate on fixing some of the real challenges faced by Missourians.



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**I am against requiring the State to limit the definition of sexuality to the anatomical sex with which someone is born. Some people are born with male and female anatomical sexual parts.**





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Less than 1% of American citizens identify as transgender. This policy will do more harm than good on both a mental and physical level to children and adults anywhere this policy is put into effect.



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**This bill makes me embarrassed to be a Missourian and is harmful to me and the gay and transgender members of my family and friends.**



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**What is the purpose of this legislation? When there are so many actual problems affecting our state and the people that live in it, why are we splitting hairs over gender? Do you have anything better to do? It is a FACT that there are people that are born with intersex traits. Those people exist in the world. Why are we trying to make a untrue point that there is no blurring of any of kind of gender and gender traits that occur in nature? Can we not have some empathy for all types of people and just be inclusive of there being a lot of different kinds of people and that black and white language doesn't cover everyone?**



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**You cannot redefine the definition of gender unless you work for Merriam-Webster or any other dictionary company. You like to try to play doctor, and now you're trying to play lexicographer.**





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I do not understand why MOLEG feels the need to change the definition of male and female. What does it matter to you what it says on my license or how I identify? What does it matter what body parts are or are not inside my abdomen? I do honestly love your addition to lines 69/70 & 87/88 "would have such reproductive system but for a developmental or genetic anomaly or historical accident" as how can you prove a trans male or trans female does not fall into this category? As someone who has cared for intersex people for decades of my nursing career, these 2 basic definitions of male/female are very upsetting. Where does this leave the intersex people that have the anatomy of both? Merriam-Webster dictionary has male as having a gender identity that is opposite of male, and female has a gender identity opposite of female. These terms are also used for boy and girl. Gender identity has been used since 1964 to define "a person's internal sense of being male, female, some combination of male and female, or neither male nor female." Just because you don't like the terms does not mean you get to recreate the terms. I am mad and also sad that you have decided to base everyone you come in contact with over body parts. Should we go around pantless so you know what we are? Since I do like pants, I am against HB 2308 & 2309



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This is literally denying science past a very elementary point of understanding. For real, if yall cracked an advanced biology book and sat thru a couple of real lectures, youd easily find that human (biological) sex is actually a spectrum. Just because you dont see it/dont aknowledge it doesnt mean it doesnt exist. Like how lots of visual spectrums cant be detected by human vision along this is a concept that is too difficult for you to understand, you should absolutely not be making decisions about it



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**As a cisgender queer woman whose partner was ripped from her life due to needing to move for safety I find it disheartening that the state which I call home, raise a child and run a business in is spending so much time and energy trying to eradicate those that make up less than 1% of the population. As a mother of a high school student I'm finding that such hatred is causing severe bullying and even suicide. End the separation of humanity and bring back kindness and love.**



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**Most of us were taught to mind our own business and to worry about ourselves. Jesus said to worry about the planks in our own eyes before taking out the specks in others' eyes. A person's decisions about their own bodies are likewise none of the state's concern.**



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My name is Tara Anura (she/her). I am a lifelong Missourian born with Turner Syndrome. "Turner syndrome, a condition that affects only females, results when one of the X chromosomes (sex chromosomes) is missing or partially missing. Turner syndrome can cause a variety of medical and developmental problems, including short height, failure of the ovaries to develop, and heart defects." Mayo Clinic <https://www.mayoclinic.org/diseases-conditions/turner-syndrome/symptoms-causes/syc-20360782#Causes>It bothers me that you are concerned with people's genitals. When I was born, the doctor saw my genitals and said this is a girl. So that is what is on my birth certificate. My chromosomes say otherwise because I have an X in some cells. XX in some, and X and a part of an X in others. That is Turner Syndrom Mosaic. "To varying extents, many of us are biological hybrids on a male-female continuum. Researchers have found XY cells in a 94-year-old woman, and surgeons discovered a womb in a 70-year-old man, a father of four. New evidence suggests that the brain consists of a "mosaic" of cell types, some more yin, others further along the yang scale. These findings have far-reaching implications beyond just updating the biology textbooks. They have particular bearing on issues of personal identity, health and the economic well-being of women. That is because arguments about innate biological differences between the sexes have persisted long past the time they should have been put to rest." Scientific America Sept. 1, 2017 <https://www.scientificamerican.com/article/the-new-science-of-sex-and-gender/>It is not the business of the government to get involved in people's genetics or genitals to determine if they fit into a Christian binary ideology. It is not the business of government to tell science it is wrong and redefine concepts based on Christian ideology. This is why we have a separation of church and state.



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I oppose HB2309 because it will codify inaccurately the concepts of 'sex' and 'gender' as being synonyms - which they are not. I seems also that HB2309 would also codify 'gender' and 'gender identity' as being different - which I don't believe they are.



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Representative Schnelting: Two of my kids are 13 and 11, are in seventh and sixth grade in St. Louis Public Schools. Kids' lose their student IDs, their iPads and their locker combinations. How in the world do you expect them to carry around their birth certificates? And, if you haven't been in a middle school lately, I can guarantee you that you would need the kids to do just that in order to enforce this law. Even a child who was born female and identifies as female may look masculine to you (because perception of gender is subjective) or a child who was born male and identifies as male may look feminine to you (because perception of gender is subjective). Give it up. This bill is ludicrous.





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Again, our state government is interfering with and writing laws about people and their choices. I believe people should have the right to make their own choices, regardless of whether you believe or support those choices. How dare the state interfere with a person and their personal feelings. I thought the Republican party was the party of small government. This is NOT small government. Ruling and regulating the personal choices of its citizens. Besides male/female are terms of gender. Gender is NOT sexuality, nor does it determine one's sexuality. Again, basic government overreach



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**Trans folks deserve respect and a right to self-determination and equal treatment, and our laws should reflect that. Our laws should allow for more freedom of self expression and not tell folks they can or cannot express themselves and their humanity**



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I oppose all of this anti-trans legislation. You're trying to take rights away from people that aren't harming anybody or being harmed themselves, and doing so against established medical and psychiatric consensus. These bills will cause harm to people and help nobody, except those trying to pander to bigotry. People supporting this legislation are, at best, misinformed and, at worst bigoted. Please stop hurting people that already have life difficult enough in Missouri.



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The proposed distinction between female and male sex & feminine and masculine gender is factually incorrect and infeasible to implement. Normal human sexes and genders are not strictly binary. Additionally, the proposed legislation does not provide relief to a public burden, nor provide for a public good.



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**Trans men are men, trans women are women. You can not define this.**



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This bill negatively affects the rights of trans children I care about who live in the state of Missouri. Missouri lawmakers are not in a position to decide definitions of "sex" or "gender", nor are they qualified to decide whether a person is helped or harmed by life-affirming medical treatments. These bills only serve to harm trans people, and more importantly, trans children.



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My child is 17 now. If this type of legislation were in place 10 years ago I would probably have been visiting their grave on their birthday. In middle school our child ranged between sullen and disruptively anxious, they talked about suicide and cut themselves. That was before they discussed their discomfort with their name and pronouns. As we started having this discussion with them they became more communicative we worked with the school and a private counselor and got their name and pronouns changed. I am not going to say it was easy for us to change, but our kid has many fewer disruptions, has an easier time at school, has more fun, and our child has stopped cutting and hurting themselves all together. That is what changing some pronouns and a name did for them. My child's world got so much easier for those tiny things, things that really belong to them. It is none of your business what my kid wants to be called just as it is none of my business what you want to be called. Each person belongs to themselves. That is why my ancestors came here in the 1600's, to be free to be themselves.



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I am against this bill. Gender is a spectrum and this is too limiting.



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There is no place for anti-trans or anti-queer legislation in Missouri. As the 'Show Me' state, where our character is what is supposed to matter more than anything else, this is a pitiful and unacceptable attempt to demoralize and punish trans people for living their authentic lives. Why don't you take this passion (though formed in hatred) and put it towards something that actually benefits the state as a WHOLE and helps us move forward and prosper? Preventing this type of care and help for people that are trying to live their authentic lives and be themselves is LIFE THREATENING. When the people (including TEENS AND CHILDREN) that need gender affirming care to continue to live can't get it because of the laws that YOU have put forth, those lives and blood in on your hands and I hope you can live with yourself after that.



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**Just leave people alone; this includes transgender people.**



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**This is not necessary and I don't like my tax dollars being wasted on this.**



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I write this testimony to the House Emerging Issues committee in wholehearted opposition to HB 2309. I've read the legislation in question, and it seeks to codify a scientifically incorrect gender binary based on internal and external reproductive characteristics. I myself am a non-binary Missourian, and I can see that this legislation benefits no one in any meaningful way. It only serves as, at best, a nuisance to the vibrant transgender community in Missouri. We exist here already-- in schools and workplaces, in urban and rural homes, in coffee shops and the checkout lines at grocery stores-- and this legislation won't get rid of us. It only furthers attempts to ignore or harm us, which is plainly a discriminatory and hateful effort led by extremely right-wing politicians. It's not a good look for Republicans trying to look respectable during an election year, so I have to wonder why this useless bill is even being considered. Now, I said that this bill is a nuisance at BEST. At worst, and more likely? Codifying a scientifically incorrect binary view of gender into state law will do real harm to the gender non-conforming people who live here. Students studying US and Missouri government, as required in order to graduate, will encounter laws that tell them they shouldn't exist, and that's damaging to a child's self-image and well-being. Legislation that has very real impact on our lives, from healthcare to housing and employment, will be allowed to discriminate against non-binary Missourians, not just permitted but even encouraged by the state government. HB 2309 cannot be allowed to advance out of this committee. Dismiss it today, and let's move on with the legislative session.





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Dear Committee Members, I urge you to vote no on this bill. It is beyond absurd that a politician has decided to take it upon himself to make any sort of biological definition. Firstly, every good scientist knows that there's no such thing as a simplistic definition. Every good scientist knows that the beauty of life is biodiversity, that in fact without biodiversity we would not survive. Thankfully male and female, as defined by this bill, are not scientific definitions, therefore the very bill itself is false. Perhaps a better name would be "cultural definition," and thankfully the US is not a culturally homogenous country, therefore having a "cultural definition" bill would probably be unconstitutional in some way shape or form. Furthermore, making some sort of definition of what constitutes a human being is extremely fascist, so perhaps think back to several decades ago when Europe had a big fascist problem called Nazis, and remember that the US fought against Nazis and in favor of freedom and democracy.



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Who cares what someone calls themselves. You people need your head examined. You're an embarrassment. The government has no right to say if someone, even a child, goes through gender transitioning, wants to change their gender, wants to be known by another gender. It's no one's business but theirs and their parents'. We literally have children being abused in the foster care system, going hungry due to poverty, are in abusive homes, struggling with learning and you fucking idiots want to talk about LGBTQ or controlling a uterus. Do something that actually helps children instead of dumbing down their education, banning books or taking away funding for education and WIC. The GOP is the party of hate.



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The biological definition of sex and gender is unanimously distinguished from one another by the scientific community, and so I stand with the right to include language differentiating sex from gender identity.



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As defined by The American Medical Association, Merck & Co. Manuals Global Medical Knowledge, Johns Hopkins University and Medicine, The American Psychiatric Association, The American Medical Women's Association, The World Health Organization, The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, The National Institutes of Health, and many more associations and institutions of modern medicine, biological sex and gender are related, but not synonymous.



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**My name is Kipp Ellis, and I am the owner of Trans Joy LLC, a business that seeks to improve the lives of transgender people in the Kansas City area through the power of community connection. As a trans person, a small business owner, a pediatric nurse, and an educator on trans healthcare issues, please believe that I know what I am saying when I tell you that this bill will only hurt transgender and intersex Missourians. Transgender and intersex people are citizens just like cisgender citizens. We are not a lower class of humans. We deserve the same rights and freedoms as any other person has - the right to Liberty and the Pursuit of Happiness. These are traditional American values that live in the hearts of every Trans person who seeks to live in peace as their authentic self. Please choose to listen to transgender and intersex people about their own experiences and do not restrict our liberties. Thank you.**



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As one of your constituents who happens to be a cisgender woman, I am strongly against the seven upcoming bills that would make life harder for transgender people. I do not believe that transgender people are any threat to me or anyone else in public spaces, including restrooms, schools, or workplaces. Please, please vote against these awful backwards bills and let people whose lives are already hard live normally. Please. Thank you for reading, Tracy Thompson Nevada, MO