

Dear Members of the North Dakota Legislature,

I oppose HB 1298 the anti-transgender bill before you. I have a transgender granddaughter and many transgender friends. This measure will do little to enhance high school athletics and, unfortunately, a great deal of psychological harm to our transgender young people in North Dakota. They are already suffering the psychological trauma of the conflict between the bodies of the gender which they were assigned at birth and their brains and spirits which call them to their true, other gender. They do not need yet another burden of discrimination thrust into their faces by this measure. Please let North Dakota be a state that welcomes people who are different, that is an inclusive home for all people.