

"My name is Wade Pulkrabek and I reside in District 31. I am asking that you please render a DO PASS on HB 1522.

I agree with everything my wife wrote in her statement that you may have just read. It is late and I can't think of anything I would like to say about this matter. So the rest of this is a repeat.

Women are women and men are men. A man can take 100 hormone shots, grow his hair out, wear a dress, put on lipstick and change his name but he will always be a man. A woman can take 100 male hormone does, have her breasts removed, cut her hair short and change her name but she will still be a female. This is a fact of biology. Children who are confused about their gender need loving psychological therapy not access to the other gender bathrooms at school. We should not have to accommodate their confusion and play along calling them names that are of the opposite gender.

Think of a student who is suffering from anorexia, should the school officials play along with the student and call him or her fat, withhold food and encourage excessive exercise because the student might feel offended if they do not? Should the students be sure that the individual sits at lunch with no food on their plate? That would be considered abuse! It is psychological abuse to play along with a student who has gender dysphoria.

I urge you to support the passing of House Bill 1522.

Thank you for your consideration of this important matter and for your service to the state of North Dakota.

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