

I am writing in opposition of House Bill 1473. I ask that you give this bill a Do Not Pass.

As a father of a young child and an advocate for suicide prevention in our state, I feel this legislation is discriminatory and does not reflect the values of inclusion and compassion that our state should represent. Our LGBTQ+ community is already at a much higher risk for suicide and self-harm and this bill will only increase that risk.

Transgender people deserve to live as themselves in a state that respects and supports them.

Please oppose HB 1473.

Thank you,
Dr. Derek Harnish