

Dear Senate Human Services Committee Members;

My name is Sheppard Olson. I reside in District 36. I am asking that you render a DO PASS on HB1522.

Transgender is not a true statement. There are only two genders. In Genesis 1:27, God plainly and succinctly tells us exactly how many genders there are: "God created man in His own image, in the image of God He created him; male and female He created them." This leaves no room for doubt or question as to whether there are more genders. There are two, and only two.

Chloe Cole is a young woman who, when she was only 12 years old, was told that she was a boy trapped in a girl's body. This wasn't true. She was just a tomboy. But she was told that if she didn't change the way her body looked, she would be depressed and suicidal. Her parents were bullied into letting her get the hormones and surgeries she 'needed', and it ruined her. When kids think that they don't seem to fit into their bodies, they are just experiencing average teenager doubt. It's nothing new. But the people promoting this "transgender" movement do not tell them the truth about this and pressure them into ruining their lives. Chloe Cole is now suing Kaiser Permanente, the medical group which sold her on the idea of transitioning.

It has been said that people like me just want to be cruel to these "trans" people. That we don't focus on protecting girls and women. But the fact is, this bill is protecting girls and women. There are many instances when males are "transitioning" and beat female athletic stars with little effort. This is destroying women's sports. And these same males are allowed into women's restrooms. Many girls do not feel safe when they go to the restroom because these "trans" males are invading their personal space. I believe in protecting women, that is why I am here, to testify to the truth. And so, I urge you vote DO PASS for HB 1522, and take a step in the right direction; for the safety of the female sex.

Sincerely,

Sheppard A. Olson