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Dear Legislators,

I am a teacher of special needs students who often need a private, separate place to be changed or to attempt to use the restroom. By getting rid of single use bathrooms, you would be harnessing these students to larger bathroom settings and possible ridicule by other students.

I am also writing again to express my deep concern for our transgender youth who will struggle in schools in finding solace in a separate bathroom setting should this legislation pass. As an educator, I have seen many youngsters struggle to understand their identity, some pushed to the brink.

In fact, data indicates that 82% of transgender individuals have considered killing themselves and 40% have attempted suicide, with suicidality highest among transgender youth. (<https://pubmed.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/32345113/>)

Furthermore, **school belonging**, emotional neglect by family, and internalized self-stigma made a unique, statistically significant contribution to suicidality. (<https://pubmed.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/32345113/>) Students who are uncomfortable with the basic human need of going to the bathroom will be uncomfortable at school.

Please vote NO and end this legislation now.

Sincerely,

Angie Moser