

Senate Judiciary Committee

HB 1298

Chairman Larson and Committee

I urge a strong DO PASS on HB 1298 as a grandparent of a young female athlete.

Trangender athletes deserve compassion, but not the right to transform women's sports.

Millions of girls, women have athletic opportunities because of the legal meaning of the word 'sex.' Redefining the law for trans people is not fair.

Males and females are different. This shouldn't surprise us. On average, men have 36% more skeletal muscle mass, according to one study. In general, males are taller, have thicker bones and have greater lung capacity, than their female counterparts. Cross-hormone treatment (with all the risks and side effects such treatments entail) cannot fully suppress all these biological competitive advantages. Indeed, the entire premise behind sex-specific competition in sports is the simple scientific reality that, in general, males are stronger, faster, and more physically powerful than females. As a result, if males and females are required to compete together, women will almost always lose.

I strongly urge a DO PASS on HB 1298

Thank You

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