

Dear Chair Weisz and members of the House Human Services Committee,

As a lifelong resident of Minot, I am writing today in opposition to House Bill 1474. Accurate data collection is an important aspect of ensuring proper care for every population. This is especially true, however, for a group that is as marginalized and oft-oppressed group such as transgender individuals. Moreover, the functionality of the data collected would be completely unbiased and inaccurate. This bill has no benefit, but it certainly would be detrimental for many individuals and those who are responsible for giving appropriate care. I ask that you give this bill a Do Not Pass.

Thank you for your time and consideration,

Mary Elizabeth Gamas