

Senate Bill 381 - UNFAVORABLE
Education, Energy, and the Environment Committee

Honorable Chair, Vice Chair, and Members of the Education, Energy, and the Environment Committee;

I ask that you give Senate Bill 381 an unfavorable report.

Senate Bill 381 would discriminate against transgender and intersex youth who want to participate in sports. It would cause dysphoria, contribute to depression, and act to delegitimize the existence of transgender and intersex people. Additionally, it not only prevents transgender and intersex athletes from participating on public high school sports teams with people of the same gender, it prevents nonpublic high schools from determining who would be on their sports teams - a direct violation of the freedom of religion.

Any claims of this being a feminist bill are hollow. As a feminist who has been active in feminist issues for 40 years, I can say with authority that feminism is both trans-inclusive and intersex-inclusive.

Please give Senate Bill 381 an UNFAVORABLE report. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,
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