

Opponent Testimony of HB2238
For the Senate Education Committee
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Chair Baumgardner and Members of the Committee, thank you for the opportunity to provide opponent written testimony on House Bill 2238.

I am a parent of two. My children have BP been involved in youth sports from preschool through high school. All children deserve to have the same opportunities to participate in school and youth sports.

This bill singles out a group of children and prohibits them from participating in school sports. Trans youth have always been participating in sports. It is just recently that the media has focused on a few high level trans athletes and put out misinformation. This has led to trans children being targeted and separated based on false and incomplete information. As a community we must stand up to protect all children. Involvement in sports helps children's mental health. Trans children deserve to participate in all activities that chia children can participate in.

I'm asking you to oppose HB2238. Thank you.