

Chairperson Baumgardner and members of the committee,

I would like to express to the Kansas House and Senate to remove SB 208. This bill is ill conceived and will hurt young trans Kansans. The bill is based on misinformation and exclusion of a community of people wanting to pursue their lives like any other person. Young trans individuals will pay taxes and deserve equal representation not exclusion.

It's very important for government officials to understand that we as a human population are not alone in male or female but have various degrees of gender or sexual organs and even chromosomes variance. And all humans are to be treated with respect and dignity.

Because this bill is ill conceived, the bill will be challenged and will lose. The financial burden will cost Kansas and Kansans millions. Legislation should have intelligence to prevent financial losses from bad discrimination laws. I would like to remind legislation that the Kris Kobach voter suppression challenge cost Kansas and Kansans millions and was thrown out.

Sincerely tax payer and voter,

Randen Smith,