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On Behalf Of: LGBTQ Students
Committee: House Committee On Education
Measure: HB2656

Chair Neron, Vice-Chairs Hudson and Wright and members of the House Committee on Education,

As a mental health clinician and LGBTQ+ identified person, I support this bill. This will give all students the access to the basic supports they need. In a time where LGBTQ+ rights are being attacked and increasingly hyperbolic extreme groups try and twist educational and mental health efforts to include us, students will need these supports. I support HB2656 and the efforts behind support and inclusion of queer and trans kids in educational systems.

Asking basic demographic questions, or educating students about LGBTQ+ identities are needed at every age.