

SC H. 4608

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SC H. 4608 – Save Women's Sports Act
SUPPORT

Thank you for the opportunity to testify in support of House Bill 4608. My name is Dr. Mahri Irvine, and I am the Executive Director of Women's Liberation Front (WoLF). WoLF is our nation's largest radical feminist, non-partisan, non-profit agency fighting against gender ideology. WoLF represents women of every political affiliation and belief system. We urge you to support H. 4608.

H. 4608 is an excellent bill and provides a sufficient amount of detail to ensure that the integrity and fairness of women and girls' sports will not be undermined by men and boys.

Female-only sports are incredibly important because they ensure that women and girls will continue to have opportunities related not just to winning sporting events, but opportunities to advance their educational opportunities and careers.

On average, female human beings are smaller, weaker, and slower than male human beings. This statement is not meant to diminish the amazing capabilities of the female sex. This statement is merely a fact based on biological reality. In competitive athletics, women and girls, on average, are at a serious disadvantage when they are forced to compete against men and boys. It is incredibly unfair to force women and girls to compete against males.

When female athletes are forced to compete in de facto mixed-sex teams, they are deprived of titles, records, medals, scholarships, and opportunities to win, or participate, fairly and safely. All across the country, we are now witnessing men and boys taking advantage of unfair situations to win athletic competitions against women and girls. When these boys and men win, they not only win accolades and prizes, but they also take away scholarship opportunities and career advancement opportunities for women and girls.

H. 4608 would ensure that a student's biological sex is considered to be correctly stated based on the birth certificate filed at or near the time of the student's birth. WoLF applauds the inclusion of this important detail in H. 4608. Unfortunately, across the

country, people are now able to manipulate data and obscure reality by altering their birth certificates. This intentional manipulation of data has begun to cause – and will continue to cause – serious problems related to accuracy in all types of data collection and analysis, including data related to women and girls’ sports and the ensuing scholarships and career opportunities that result from winning athletic competitions.

Using birth certificates that were filed at or near the time of students’ births will ensure that women and girls will not be forced to compete against males. Furthermore, the use of these birth certificates will ensure that people will not be psychologically coerced into referring to men as women, or vice versa. Students, coaches, school employees, and parents should be allowed to describe and refer to males as “men” and “boys” and females as “women” and “girls.” Using accurate birth certificates will ensure that people will not be forced to participate in faith-based, pseudoscientific claims that humans can transition into the opposite sex.

I urge South Carolina’s leaders to support H. 4608 because this bill will ensure a fair playing field for women and girls throughout the state. This bill will help protect the integrity of women’s sports. It will also emphasize the importance of using birth certificates that represent reality rather than faith-based or political ideologies.

Thank you for reviewing our testimony. WoLF is available to serve as a resource for you if you have questions or would like more information about the importance of single-sex sports, or any topic related to gender ideology and sex-based inequalities.

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