From: Sent: To: Subject: Wiley Brooks Wednesday, May 12, 2021 3:46 PM Sen. Shelley Hughes Thank you

# For sponsoring SB140

## Wiley Brooks

From: Sent: To: Cc: Subject:

Patty Wisel Wednesday, May 12, 2021 4:11 PM Sen. Click Bishop Sen. Shelley Hughes SB 140

Hello Senator:

We are writing to ask you to sign on as a co-sponsor to SB 140 to protect fairness and opportunity for our Alaskan women athletes. Our daughter just received the 2021 Athlete of the Year for Lathrop High School and we want to make sure she is NOT competing against biological males if she chooses to go further in her athletic career. Thank you for your support of this VERY IMPORTANT senate bill.

Sincerely, John & Patty Wisel Fairbanks, AK

From: Sent: To: Subject: Wednesday, May 12, 2021 4:38 PM Sen. Shelley Hughes Thank you so very much!

Senator Hughes -

Grateful thanks for introducing Senate Bill 140, which proposes a crucial change to state law: athletic programs that are designated for women or girls will be limited to biological females.

How sad that today's times even needs a bill like this! However, such as it is, endless gratitude for having the determination to initiate a bill with such common sense.

Most cordially, Colonel Sue Horner USAF Retired Kenny Lake, Alaska

From: Sent: To: Subject:

Wednesday, May 12, 2021 5:43 PM Sen. Shelley Hughes; Sen. Roger Holland; Rep. Liz Snyder Senate Bill 140

Senator Hughes, Senator Holland, and Representative Snyder;

Thank you Senator Hughes for taking action to protect women's rights to be able to fairly compete in Alaskan sports programs without the interference of our society's runaway focus on individual and minority groups rights being imposed on all of us. Our country was created to promote the common good not a power play between different factions trying to impose their will on others. History has shown us that we can not attain equality and fairness for all by continually empowering one class of people over others. We can't make it right or correct it by allowing them to have their time calling all the shots. Gender identity and transgender issues are not subject to man's law and will, they were established by our creator when he made us. If we act to change what he has created, we are doing so against his will and will be held accountable individually and as a society.

Senator Holland and Representative Snyder, as my district representative I advise you to support Senator Hughes bill, Senate Bill 140, to protect all Alaskan women, young and old, from such actions being taken to deny their rights to fairly compete in their sports programs and other physical activities. Federal civil rights law, Title IX of the of the Education Amendments of 1972 (20 U.S.C. §1681) et seq., guarantees that they will not be discriminated against on the basis of sex in education programs and activities. This bill just seeks to reinforce that federal law in Alaska.

Mark HILL

From: Sent: To: Subject:

Lisa Hydock 💓 Wednesday, May 12, 2021 6:40 PM Sen. Shelley Hughes Support SB140

Senator Hughes,

I want to thank you for introducing SB140 that will protect women's sports by limiting sports to biological women only. I will write my Senator and express my support for this bill and ask that she do the same.

Thanks again,

Lisa Hydock

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Lisa K. Hydock

The Ultimate Answer to our Nation's Problems:

If My people who are called by My name will humble themselves, and pray and seek My face, and turn from their wicked ways, then I will hear from heaven, and will forgive their sin and heal their land. 2 Chronicles 7:14

From: Sent: To: Subject: Richard Novcaski Wednesday, May 12, 2021 11:17 PM Sen. Shelley Hughes Bill for women athletics

'Thank you Senator Hughes for presenting this bill to help preserve women's sports! Sincerely, Katie Novcaski

From: Sent: To: Subject: John Rodgers Thursday, May 13, 2021 8:09 AM Sen. Shelley Hughes SB140

Thank you from Sitka, AK

You are so appreciated!! Gary & Coralyn Oines

From: Sent: To: Subject: Annette Blair Thursday, May 13, 2021 8:40 AM Sen. Shelley Hughes Thank you!!!

Senator Hughes, I just want to reach out and say thank you for introducing SB 140. My family stands behind you 100%! Thank you for standing up for our girls and women against this ridiculous ideology that is extremely unfair to female athletes. I, as a woman, am extremely thankful that you are speaking out on this subject and trying to bring change.

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God Bless you!

From: Sent: To: Subject: Jennifer Ellis (1997) Thursday, May 13, 2021 10:43 AM Sen. Shelley Hughes Athletic Fairness Bill

Dear Senator,

I am writing you from Nikiski Alaska, completely elated to hear of the bill you introduced. Thank you, thank you, thank you, for stepping up to protect female athletes from unjust and unfair competition in sporting events. Competing against biological males who identify as a female is unfair on every level. Identifying as a female does not change your biology - your heart, lungs, cardiovascular system, musculoskeletal system and bone density. Allowing them to compete against females devalues the hard work female athletes have dedicated themselves to for so long. It is just plain wrong. Thank you for taking a stand to protect female athletes who deserve a fair competition and fair opportunity for scholarships.

Sincerely,

Jennifer Ellis

Sent from my iPhone

From: Sent: To: Subject: Jerel and Kimberly Price Thursday, May 13, 2021 8:35 PM Sen. Shelley Hughes In Support of Senate Bill 140

Hello Senator Shelley Hughes,

We wanted to thank you for sponsoring SB 140.

We also are in favor of reserving women's sports programs for biological females.

Sincerely, Jerel and Kimberly Price Anchorage, AK

From: Sent: To: Subject: Kate Johnson Caracteria Thursday, May 13, 2021 9:32 PM Sen. Shelley Hughes SB 140

Sen. Hughes,

I'm writing in support of your proposal for SB 140. Please continue to support the integrity of women's sports and young Alaskan girls. Males and females are NOT biologically the same, and they should not be competing against each other in athletic events.

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"It's already known that males' upper bodies, on average, have 75% more muscle mass and 90% more strength than females."

University of Utah. "Why males pack a powerful punch: Upper arm strength, different from females', may have specialized for forceful blows." ScienceDaily. ScienceDaily, 5 February 2020. <a href="https://www.sciencedaily.com/releases/2020/02/200205132404.htm">www.sciencedaily.com/releases/2020/02/200205132404.htm</a>>.

Thank you so much- I'm in Palmer, rooting for you! Continue to do Alaska well, we're lucky to have you.

Kate Johnson Palmer, Alaska

From: Sent: To: Subject: Sara Jokela Friday, May 14, 2021 8:08 AM Senate Education Support SB 140

Too many people have worked for and lost too much for equality. Allowing non-biological females to compete in female division sports is a slap in the face to equality.

I support passage of SB 140.

Sara Jokela Anchorage

From: Sent: To: Subject: Dean Cannon **California (1997)** Friday, May 14, 2021 8:23 AM Sen. Shelley Hughes Regarding Insane people who think we are evil.

Hello Senator Hughes,

I heard you on the Dan Fagan show this morning.

I wanted to send you my 3000% support of what you said. We are dealing with people who think we are evil, while we think they are crazy. That is where the argument is at. We are talking about the gender deprogramming of people to make us all interchangeable. This is about destroying the bonds of family. It was talked about decades ago by very influential people. It is now here. The people who espouse this are not liberals anymore. They are a new set of Leftist who have lost all control of themselves and their argument. WE are the new liberals if you can believe that!

I won't rant on too much, but I want you to know that those legislators who feel as you (and I am sure they are many) need to do as you did and come clean about all this nonsense. A hefty majority of the the public, left and right, is on our side. The radicals know this which is why they try to cancel people. All the more reason conservatives in government need to proclaim loudly and proudly that this is not just a bad idea, it is **insanity**. You will find the rest following you, I promise.

There are only two genders. If we go down the path where telling the truth results in loss of freedoms then we are all complicit in that future.

Best Regards, Dean Cannon

From: Sent: To: Subject: Jill Chadborne **Grand Service** Friday, May 14, 2021 10:02 AM Sen. Shelley Hughes SB140

To the Honorable Senator Shelly Hughes,

THANK YOU ! for introducing SB 140, for redefining "sex" to be the scientific biological distinction between the male and the female, and for protecting our girls statewide from having to compete against biological men.

My prayers go with you in your battle to preserve conservative and traditions, culture and beliefs in our great state of Alaska.

Jill Chadbourne

Palmer, AK 99645

From: Sent: To: Subject: CW Friday, May 14, 2021 10:23 AM Sen. Shelley Hughes SB140

Senator, thank you for introducing SB 140. I and my family fully support this bill. I'm glad our 3 children; two girls and a boy now grown with their own children, did not have to contend with this issue while playing sports in Sitka and Kodiak. We have been Alaska residents since 1992 but I was born in Sandusky Ohio, not that far from Canton :)

Best, Chris

Christopher Windnagle Kodiak AK

Work Hard, Be Positive, Do Good Things Sent from my iPhone

From: Sent: To: Subject: Shirley Kelly Friday, May 14, 2021 10:52 AM Sen. Shelley Hughes SB 140

Senator Hughes,

THANK YOU for sponsoring SB 140. I hope and pray it gets passed.

Shirley Kelly

Anchorage, AK 99507

From: Sent: To: Subject: Dick May 14, 2021 10:53 AM Friday, May 14, 2021 10:53 AM Sen. Shelley Hughes Transgender athletes

Thank you, Senator Hughes, for submitting your bill to ban transgeners from competing directly with girls/women in athletics. I have been watching and waiting for that bill to appear. I am sure that the majority of people whose girls are being discriminated against by the small but incredibly vocal minority of transgeners will give all their support. My wife and I raised our two daughters, born at Florence Lk, Willow, and they were both active in sports at Houston Jr / Sr High School.

I understand that the Legislature has their hands full with major issues many of which involve millions/billions of dollars as well as the future of our State but I hope this can get a full opportunity to be passed before it becomes imbedded. Title 9 should support this issue and not be used for an excuse to grant anyone declaring whatever they wish as their ??sex??

Thanks for your leadership and hard work. dickgun

Dick Gunlogson Master Guide / Outfitter (ret) Willow, AK

From: Sent: To: Subject: Kailah Laxague Friday, May 14, 2021 7:40 PM Sen. Shelley Hughes SB 140

Good Evening Senator,

I am reaching out to express my support of SB 140. Please let me know exactly how I can help moving forward with this bill.

Thank you for your hard work and persistence, Kailah Marie

From: Sent: To: Subject:

Monday, May 17, 2021 8:38 PM Sen. Shelley Hughes Email Your Senator Form Submission

There has been a submission of the form Email Your Senator through your website.

Your Senator Shelley Hughes

Your Name Stephen Kulin

Your Email or Phone

#### Question or Concern

Thank you for planning to present a bill regarding definition of participants in sports. It is common sense that transgender women born male have an unfair advantage against woman. If it helps your argument you can point out that it is very easy for forensic experts to identify a pelvis as male or female thousands of years later and that no change in hormones or sex organs can change the basic body structure that gives men an advantage in strength over women. Good luck on your courageous legislation

IP Address

From: Sent: To: Subject: Katherine Hicks Wednesday, June 2, 2021 4:45 PM Senate Education Support SB 140

I am in total support for Senate Bill 140. I was so glad to see that my Senator Holland heads this committee and that Senator Shelly Hughes is also a member. I know that they both realize how important it is to let real girls compete in Title 9 programs. I have not met Sen. Stevens, Micciche, or Begich, but presume they know that there is a difference between male and female bodies and no amount of wishing or drugs can make up for these differences.

I would also urge you all to do all you can to void any teaching of CRT.

Thank you, Katherine Hicks

From: Sent: To: Subject: KELLY KNEAPER Thursday, June 3, 2021 10:45 AM Sen. Shelley Hughes SB140

Hello,

My name is Kelly Kneaper and I am here to say that I am fully in support of bill SB140!

Thank you,

Kelly Kneaper

From: Sent: To: Subject: Elyce Santerre Thursday, June 3, 2021 8:33 PM Sen. Shelley Hughes SB 140

Thanks for introducing this bill. Did it die with the session so it will need to be reintroduced? Just so you know, this is what I sent to the Education committee chair:

It's really sad that a bill like SB 140 is even necessary to protect girls' sports. When I was young, we didn't have boys trying to take girls' championships because there were none. Now that there are advantages to be gained in girls' sports, suddenly they are under attack. I wish girls could have had athletic opportunities for at least one generation before they were taken away again... Having girls' sports without restricting them to biological females makes as much sense as having "little league" without any age restrictions.

Trans athletes already have athletic opportunities, and many (if not most) have previously competed on the boys' teams. If they need a separate shower, fine, but don't let them ruin girls' sports by taking away any chance for a female to actually win.

- Lisa Santerre, District 12

Sent from my iPad

From: Sent: To: Subject: Eva Hansen Tuesday, March 1, 2022 9:13 PM Sen. Shelley Hughes Great Job... for bringing forth Senate Bill 140, I am all for it to pass...

Thank you

Eva Hansen

From: Sent: To: Subject: Steve Turner Wednesday, March 2, 2022 7:39 AM Sen. Shelley Hughes Senate Bill 140

Please support Senate Bill 140.

Thank you,

Steve Turner

Kenai, AK 99611

From: Sent: To: Subject: Colleen Peterson Wednesday, March 2, 2022 7:58 AM Sen. Shelley Hughes Senate Bill 140

Thank you so much for once more introducing Senate Bill 140 on March 4. The timing is right since this subject has been in the news lately regarding college swimmers. My prayers are that Alaska will join the other states that have passed these type of laws.

I have sent the article posted by Joel Davidson on

https://urldefense.com/v3/\_\_http://alaskawatchman.com\_\_;!!LdQKC6s!bbbpo0NJkgOMN9LrN4Yflu2ZJMdVougfk\_AEPE uD7h\_jTP4f74cZ3TE-x0jMXNRGk4z3y--mpA\$ to my like minded friends and asked them to do the same.

Hopefully, they will contact you or the Senate.Education@akleg.gov

Thank you again,

**Colleen Peterson** 

Sent from my iPhone

From: Sent: To: Subject: Debbie Imhof Wednesday, March 2, 2022 8:06 AM Sen. Shelley Hughes Senate Bill 140

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Thank you again,

Debbie Imhof

From: Sent: To: Subject: Renee Saunders **Wednesday**, March 2, 2022 10:22 AM Sen. Shelley Hughes Senate Bill 140

Dear Senator Hughes, I am unreservedly in favor of Senate Bill 140, and thank you for sponsoring it.

Renee Saunders, Houston , AK

From: Sent: To: Subject: Starla Page Wednesday, March 2, 2022 11:29 PM Senate Education Senate bill 140

Dear Committee,

I thank you for your role and willingness to make a difference in this great state of ours. As the hearing for Bill 140 approaches, I beg you to take a stand for girls of today and tomorrow and for Truth. The world has lost sight of the simple Truth of human biology and thus promote and allow things that are harmful and unfair to others. While sports is not the greatest issue at hand, it is the issue at hand and I ask you to ban transgender males from female sports.

Praying for you, Starla Halbrook, Fairbanks AK, mother of two sons and one daughter

From: Sent: To: Subject: Ruth & Rudy Poglitsh Control Ruth & Rudy Poglitsh Control Ruth & Rudy Poglitsh Control Ruth & Ruth &

I write in favor of Senate Bill 140. It is only fair that girls compete against girls and boys compete against boys.

Please pass Senate Bill 140 into law.

Thank you. Rudy Poglitsh

From: Sent: To: Subject: none Wednesday, March 2, 2022 2:15 PM Sen. Shelley Hughes SB140

Senator Hughes, We support your effort, in SB140, to only allow biological females to participate in womens sports.

Gary & Helen Korthuis Wasilla, Alaska

From: Sent: To: Subject: Sue Parrott Wednesday, March 2, 2022 6:53 PM Sen. Shelley Hughes HB 240

Dear Senator Hughes,

I am a 45 year Alaskan resident and an American Patriot. I am concerned about what's happening with transgender men participating in girls and women's sports.

It has been repeatedly demonstrated that males who identify as transgender can far outperform women in sports. A new study has shown that hormone drugs have a very minimal impact on the physical advantages to biological males when playing sports.

I am asking that you vote yes on HB 240 which will level the playing field for biological women and girls in competitive sports in Alaska.

Thank you, Susan Parrott

Sent from Sue's iPhone

From: Sent: To: Subject: Jerry Thomas Wednesday, March 2, 2022 8:29 PM Sen. Shelley Hughes Senate Bill 140

Fully Supported Thank you for this Bill should be passed Jerry J Thomas Nenana Alaska Sent from my iPhone

From: Sent: To: Subject: Starla Page **Constant of Constant Starla** Wednesday, March 2, 2022 11:26 PM Sen. Shelley Hughes Senate bill 140

Dear Senator,

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Praying for you, Starla Halbrook , Fairbanks AK

From: Sent: To: Subject: E M Charles Control of Control of

Please vote YES on SB 140. As an athlete and as a mom of a teenage boy, I can tell you that already my 13 year old son can out do me in many sports. Biological men/boys should not be allowed to compete against biological women.

Thank you,

Etta Mill

From: Sent: Subject: Bob Bird Carl Bob Bird Charles Thursday, March 3, 2022 7:46 AM Of Women's Sports

Friends:

SB 140 is noble, protecting Women's Sports from the Madhouse that is the Democratic Party.

But unless a rider is attached, "This statute is not reviewable by the judiciary", it is not hard to predict:

- 1. It will pass.
- 2. Maybe even the HR.
- 3. The Madmen will sue to the state courts.
- 4. It will be struck down.

Questions that must be asked of the current state Current Office Holder (COH), and those who aspire to the office:

Will you enforce the court decision?

We already know how this might transpire regarding the COH, for he has caved in regarding the ACLU v. Dunleavy decision, a decision where a conflict of interest existed *inside the court itself!* But perhaps the COH thought he must obey it, or otherwise be castigated for making a decision ... in his own self interest.

Then he *rewarded* the Madwoman who wrote the decision with a promotion. Truly, we live in *Alice in Wonderland*.

With best constitutional wishes,

Bob Bird

From: Sent: To: Subject: Scott Spickler Thursday, March 3, 2022 7:48 AM Senate Education SB 140

Please vote yes on this bill. It is totally unfair for female athletes to have to compete against males, period.

Thank you, Scott Spickler

Juneau, AK. 99801

Sent from my iPad

From: Sent: To: Cc: Subject: Kathleen Madden Thursday, March 3, 2022 7:51 AM Senate Education

SB 140 please support

Hello all,

I cannot believe this bill even needs to be on the floor. It is a biological fact that male athletes have huge physical advantages over women in sports. Please support this bill that will keep women's sports for biological women only. As a woman, this violates a my right to have a fair playing field in any sport. If a person wants to change their gender in society, so be it, but it is totally unfair and immoral that a biological male can compete as a female thus inhibiting the chances of females to win awards, scholarships etc for excelling in their chosen sport.

It is peculiar that we don't see biological women competing in men's sports....for a reason....we are not built the same.

If we go down this path, then why even have men's sports and women's sports? It might as well be all the same.

I urge you to SUPPORT SB 140.

Thank you, Kathleen Madden

Kathleen Madden

Anchorage, AK 99504

"Between stimulus and response, there is a space. In that space lies our freedom and power to choose our response. In our response lies our growth and freedom"

-- Victor Frankl, Man's Search for Meaning

From: Sent: To: Subject: Ernie & Christy Crabby Thursday, March 3, 2022 7:57 AM Senate Education SB140

I am writing to urge you to vote in favor of SB140 to help save women's sports. Many in our country have an agenda to destroy the nuclear family and anything connected to it. I believe that confusing genders is contributing to that destruction. It is arrogance to try to change what God has created, and what science backs up. Those doing this in women's sports are selfish. They do not really care about equality. They are self-serving and do not truly care about women or sports.

Please consider the seriousness of SB140 and vote for it, before Alaska is swayed by those in extremism. Thank you,

**Christina Crabb** 

Sent from my iPhone

From: Sent: To: Subject: kathy Matta Thursday, March 3, 2022 7:57 AM Senate Education SB140

Dear Senators,

Women are being tossed to the back of the line again. The long line of prejudices throughout history. Enough is enouugh. Vote YES ON SB 140 for WOMEN, NOT BOYS OR MEN PRETENDING TO BE WOMEN !! Kathy Matta Soldotna AK

Sent from my iPad

From: Sent: To: Subject: Kathleen (March 3, 2022 7:57 AM Senate Education Please support SB 140

Dear Senate,

Please support SB 140. Biological women have the right to compete in athletics in a fair and just playing field - that means against other biological females only.

To address the need for biological men determining they are now women to compete in athletics, create a third category so they too, can compete against athletes with their genetic makeup.

To do otherwise causes undue harm to biological females. Protect their rights.

Respectfully,

Kathleen Lochmann

From: Sent: To: Subject: Kirsten Marchant Thursday, March 3, 2022 7:57 AM Sen. Shelley Hughes Support SB 140!

To who it may concern,

I am reaching out to ask that you help Alaskans protect women and womens sports. I am all for fairness and equality, and think a separate category for trans sports would be a fair option. Allowing someone to identify differently, even if they genuinely do, and compete against young women while having the advantage of growing up as young men isn't equality. Bone structures are different.... Follow the science. Protect our young women.

Thank you for your time!

**Kirsten Marchant** 

Thank you for sponsoring SB 140

Sent from my iPhone

From: Sent: To: Subject: felicity young Thursday, March 3, 2022 7:59 AM Senate Education SB 140

Please support SB 140. Allowing transgendered males to participate in women's sports erodes women's rights! We are equal, but not the same. Felicity Young

From: Sent: To: Subject: Charley Larson Thursday, March 3, 2022 8:02 AM Senate Education SB 140

Hello,

Please vote yes on SB 140. It is no secret that nationwide transgender men are absolutely ruining girl's and women's sports by creating a completely skewed and unlevel playing field. It is heartbreaking to see a girl/woman train so hard only to see their hard work end in a second or third or lower place because their time in the event was smashed by a male parading as a female.

Male athletes generally have larger hearts and lungs, denser bones, and stronger muscles. It's precisely for that reason that unique women's sports programs were created in the first place, to create equal opportunities for women to have fair athletic competitions.

Thank you, Charley Larson Juneau

From: Sent: To: Subject:

Thursday, March 3, 2022 8:03 AM Senate Education Womens Spoke

I support SB140 and you should to representing Alaska voters.

From: Sent: To: Subject: Julie Peeks **1990** Thursday, March 3, 2022 8:04 AM Senate Education Women's Sport

There should be no question about this matter. Women for Women sports only! Please just vote on the bill, to stop all this nonsense!

From: Sent: To: Subject: glendawn Bailey **Generation** Thursday, March 3, 2022 8:08 AM Senate Education YES on SB 140

Please protect women athletes in Alaska by voting yes on SB 140.1 am in full support of SB 140. Please support a yes vote.

Thank you for your time and attention to this important bill. Dawn Bailey Sent from my iPhone

From: Sent: To: Subject: Amanda Cook Thursday, March 3, 2022 8:09 AM Sen. Shelley Hughes Yes on SB 140

Senator Hughes,

Thank you for writing bill SB 140. Being a high school and collegiate runner myself, I know first hand how hard these girls work. How much time and dedication they put into their sport, not only to be the best but also for the love of the sport!! We can not allow biological males to compete against females, this takes us back in time and removes all the progress we have made with Title IX. We will stand with all female athletes as we only ask for an even playing field.

Thank you for your time, Amanda Cook Chugiak, AK

Sent from Yahoo Mail for iPhone

From: Sent: To: Subject: Sarah Tyndall **(1996) Sarah Tyndall** Thursday, March 3, 2022 8:12 AM Senate Education Support for Senate Bill 140

Good morning committee members,

I'm writing this morning to urge you to support Senate Bill 140 which protects women in sports. Biological men should not be allowed to come in and dominate over women in their own fields. We've had enough of this physical domination throughout the centuries. This is a place for women to compete with women on a fair playing field. Please protect our female athletes' rights to compete fairly.

Thank you, Sarah Hoover

From: Sent: To: Subject: Joyce Gardella Thursday, March 3, 2022 8:18 AM Senate Education Vote YES

Please vote yes to protect women's sports for biological women. Support SB 140. Thank you.--Joyce Gardella Fairbanks, Alaska

From: Sent: To: Subject:

Thursday, March 3, 2022 8:20 AM Senate Education Senate Bill 140

Dear Senate Education Committee Members, I am writing to ask you to please support SB 140, protecting the integrity of women's sports. We have worked so hard to create a culture where women have an equal opportunity to compete fairly and safely in sports. Biological males have an unfair advantage over females in nearly every sport and should not be allowed to compete in women's sports regardless of their gender identity. I can't imagine what it would have been like had my spot on my college tennis team been taken by a biological male. I am so grateful I had the opportunity to compete.

As an athlete, as a woman, as a mom of daughters, I urge you to support this bill for Alaska.

Thank you,

Julie Buck

Sent from my iPhone

From: Sent: To: Subject: John Hawkins Thursday, March 3, 2022 8:23 AM Senate Education Senate Bill 140 - the Even The Playing Field Act.

I urge all of you to protect the integrity of women's sports by supporting this bill!

Respectfully,

John Hawkins

From: Sent: To: Subject:

Thursday, March 3, 2022 8:26 AM Senate Education Support SB140

Please support SB 140 currently before the Senate Education Committee.

From: Sent: To: Subject: Steven Hatter Thursday, March 3, 2022 8:27 AM Senate Education SB 140D--Do the Right Thing!

March 3rd, 2022

To: Alaska State Senate - Education Committee Members Fr: Concerned Active & Former Alaskan Coaches and Athletes

Re: Supporting the Alaska Even Playing Field Act – SB 140 As former and active coaches and athletes in Alaska, we submit to you this statement in support of Senator Shelley Hughes legislation - SB 140 – the Even Playing Field Act.

Girls are losing their right to an equal playing field because they are being forced to compete against biological boys. This is unfair and demands a response -- which is why we need you, as a state policy maker to take a stand! Please support SB 140 and vote yes to protect women's and girl's sports. SB 140 is similar to what has been introduced in dozens of other states, would preserve Title IX protections for women and girls and guarantee fairness by ensuring that biological boys compete against biological boys and biological girls compete against biological girls. Title IX was enacted in 1972 to stop discrimination and create equal athletic opportunities for women. Allowing biological males to compete against biological females ignores the scientific fact that males have an overwhelming physical advantage over women and girls. They have greater bone density, bigger hearts and lungs, are typically larger, and have more muscle strength. This not only makes the competition unfair, but it also makes many sports physically unsafe for women if they are forced to compete against men. Because of biology, thousands of high school boys can consistently outperform Olympic level women athletes. In fact, in one year 275 high school boys beat the lifetime best record of World Champion Sprinter, Allyson Felix. If the best female athletes in the world can't compete against high school boys, why would we force high school girls to compete against them? A male's belief about his gender doesn't erase his physical advantages over female athletes. We want everyone to have the opportunity to compete in sports and have access to a fair playing field. Competing in sports teaches valuable life lessons and gives kids and young adults confidence, discipline, and perseverance. It's no surprise that 96% of female CEOs competed in sports. We need the Even Playing Field Act in Alaska. Not just for young women today, but also for women in generations to come. We encourage you to act today by voting YES for SB 140 - a bill that addresses this incredibly important public policy matter.

Steven Hatter Executive Pastor Anchorage Grace Church

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| Subject: |

Shirley Kelly Thursday, March 3, 2022 8:28 AM Senate Education SB140 - Support for the Alaska Even Playing Field Act

To: Alaska State Senate – Education Committee Members Fr: Concerned Active & Former Alaskan Coaches and Athletes Re: Supporting the Alaska Even Playing Field Act – SB 140

As former and active coaches and athletes in Alaska, we submit to you this statement in support of Senator Shelley Hughes legislation - SB 140 – the Even Playing Field Act. Girls are losing their right to an equal playing field because they are being forced to compete against biological boys. This is unfair and demands a response -- which is why we need you, as a state policy maker to take a stand! Please support SB 140 and vote yes to protect women's and girl's sports.

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Thank you, Shirley Kelly

From: Sent: To: Subject: Britt Jacobs Thursday, March 3, 2022 8:35 AM Senate Education Vote YES on SB 140

Senator Holland,

Please vote YES on SB 140. Being a high school and collegiate softball player, I know first hand how hard these girls work. How much time and dedication they put into their sport, not only to be the best but also for the love of the sport!!

We cannot allow biological males to compete against females, this takes us back in time and removes all the progress we have made with Title IX.

Please vote YES on SB 140 and stand with all female athletes as we only ask for an even playing field.

Thank you for your time, Britt Jacobs

From: Sent: To: Subject: Gina Senko Thursday, March 3, 2022 8:45 AM Senate Education Even Playing Field Act in Alaska

We need the Even Playing Field Act in Alaska, not just for young women today, but also for women in generations to come.

As the mother of a female athlete in both Alaska and California, I urge you to act today by voting <u>YES for SB 140</u> – a bill that addresses this incredibly important public policy matter.

Thank you SO much!

Gina Senko

Anchorage, AK 99515

From: Sent: To: Subject:

KevinandJanet Goard Thursday, March 3, 2022 8:47 AM Senate Education SB140 Even the Playing Field

Due to moral, ethical and biological reasons please support this bill and maintain the rights of equal and fair competition.--

Kevin Goard

From: Sent: To: Subject: Emily Tulip **Carlos and Constant Sector** Thursday, March 3, 2022 9:07 AM Senate Education SB 140

I support SB 140 and encourage you to do so as well. The title of this bill is so appropriate because women & girls should have fair competition in sports. Without a bill like this I believe it is very disheartening and discouraging for girls and women everywhere who have worked so hard and then know they will never get the awards & records that they're shooting for if biological males are allowed in the competition. What we're seeing is unprecedented and obviously not fair. Something must be done to preserve women's sports. I know this is new territory and this isn't the perfect answer but it is a good start. Maybe someone could start trans leagues for sports that will be a level playing field for trans people. Allowing them to compete in the sport they love on a level playing field for their unique situation. Without eliminating biological women's sports & fair competition. Just a thought!

Please support Senate bill 140

Emily, Anchorage resident

From: Sent: To: Subject: Grant Funk Thursday, March 3, 2022 9:12 AM Senate Education Transgender sports

To Whom it may Concern,

I am a parent of two young daughters. I will not even begin letting them participate in sports if the current rules apply that they will be competing against biological males who will be in their dressing rooms and bathrooms. My I echo what others may have suggested: Why not add a third category of sports teams, biological male, biological female, transgender. That way transgenders can participate against transgenders and other kids will not have to be in unfair competition or uncomfortable bathroom/dressing room situations.

Thank you for considering this option,

Grant Funk

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From: Sent: To: Subject: Bobbi menzel Thursday, March 3, 2022 9:13 AM Senate Education SB 140

Senators,

I would like to write on SB 140 and my concern with women/girls athletics being opened up for biological male participation. I used to be a competitive soccer coach for 10 years coaching a girl's team, oftentimes we would scrimmage the boy's teams and I can tell you from experience the physical differences were astounding. My fastest female player couldn't keep up with their slowest player, and my girls spent most of the time being physically pushed off the ball by the boys. The physical advantages alone should be cause of concern for the safety of the female athletes. Women have fought too hard to be able to have access to sports and a fair playing field. Allowing biological men to play in women's divisions of sports takes opportunities away from biological women/girls.

Thanks, Bobbi Menzel

From: Sent: To: Subject: Stephanie Taylor Thursday, March 3, 2022 9:20 AM Senate Education SB 140

Honorable Committee members,

Please vote yes on SB 140 to protect Women's and Girl's sports in Alaska. Allowing biological male to compete against females is unfair and even dangerous at times. Please support SB 140. Thank you.

Stephanie Taylor Anchorage, AK

From: Sent: To: Subject: A Reed **Control of the Second Second** 

Senator Hughes,

Thank you so much for proposing SB 140 to protect biological female athletes as they compete in high school sports. As a competitive runner who ran high school and collegiate cross country and track, I fully support your bill. I am also a registered nurse, and I understand the anatomical and physiological make-up of an athlete is not defined by their hormones. I have run competitively for over 35 years, most recently the 2021 Boston Marathon, and nothing boils my blood more than males passing themselves off as females in order to get an advantage in the field. I would like to point out the 2021 Anchorage Mayor Marathon results where Megan Youngren, a biological male from Soldotna, won the female category with a time of 3:07. "She" qualified for the female category because of the female hormones that had been taken over the years. However, Megan still has male musculature. How am I (I might want to add as a menopausal) biological female supposed to compete against Ms. Youngren in a race? Female athletes at any age, especially high school and college where they are still finding their talents, should not have to worry if the person they are matched against or toeing the line with are male or female.

Thank you again and I'm cheering for you and the other members of the Senate Education Committee today to have SB 140 pass.

Warm regards,

Amy E. Reed, RN

From: Sent: To: Subject: Angelika Harder Thursday, March 3, 2022 9:24 AM Senate Education Senate Bill 140

**Dear Education Committee Members** 

Please allow me to voice my support for SB 140.

For many years women have had the opportunity to excel in sports and measure their abilities against other female athletes. This balance has been destroyed by allowing biologically male athletes to compete in female sports. One's view and conviction about one's gender does not erase one's biology. If biologically male athletes are permitted to compete in women's sports, there are legitimate concerns that women and girls will choose not to participate, because the male physique's unfair advantage will prevent them from ever achieving a true and fair measure of their abilities.

Then there is the more practical side of having biologically male individuals share locker, shower and bathroom facilities with school age girls. Speaking from experience, body image at that age is a difficult and emotional subject for most <u>females.To</u> have to also deal with a biological male in close proximity, provides increased discomfort. Why it is okay to disregard an entire group of girls/women's discomfort?

I read an interview with a transgender athlete, who was asked if (he)she would be in favor of only competing against other transgender athletes. The interviewee strenuously claimed that (he)she would not be in favor and wanted to measure abilities only against other biological women.

Since we already differentiate between male and female sports, creating transgender male and female groups should solve the problem and return competitions to a more level playing field.

Respectfully Angelika Harder Eagle River

The most basic question is not what is best, but who shall decide what is best" Thomas Sowell

From: Sent: To: Subject:

Please protect women's sports and keep the playing fields fair.

Sent from Pam's iPhone

From: Sent: To: Subject: Brenda **Water State Stat** 

Senator Hughes,

Senate Bill 140.

Sports teams should be based on a persons biological sex not how a person is identifying. A biological male, whether or not he identifies as transgender can outperform a female in sports. Allowing biological males to compete on a female sports team is an unfair disadvantage to females. I urge you to support Senate Bill 140. Keep females sports teams for biological females and ensure fairness for biological females.

Thank you,

Brenda Cox

From: Sent: To: Subject: Wendy Monrad Charles (1997) Thursday, March 3, 2022 9:35 AM Senate Education SB 140

Dear Education Committe Members,

I write this morning asking you to support the "Even the Playing Field Act" and move it forward out of your committee.

The biological differences between men and women are well demonstrated in the study of physiology, with most remaining with an individual regardless of hormone supplement (i.e. heart size). It's basic science.

Women cannot compete fairly with these differences. This is why it is imperative for Alaska to step up and support our biologically female athletes.

Thank you for your service and consideration in this matter.

Wendy Monrad

Anchorage AK 99516

From: Sent: To: Subject: Brenda **Education Senate Education** Senate Education Senate Bill 140

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Thank you,

Brenda Cox

From: Sent: To: Subject: Mark Miller Jr. Thursday, March 3, 2022 9:39 AM Senate Education Ban Transgender Males From female sports

This shouldn't even be a debate. Biological males and females should complete against the same sex. Gender identity is bullshit and shouldn't be used politically against male/female athletes.

Either they compete against their biological equivalent or compete in co ed completions.

Mark Miller Jr. Big Lake, AK

From: Sent: To: Subject: Tami Tobia **Carl Control** Thursday, March 3, 2022 10:12 AM Senate Education SB140

I'm sending this email to urge the passing of SB140 to ensure girls sports are limited to biological girls.

Tamela Tobia

Sent from my iPhone

From: Sent: To: Subject: Eileen Becker Control 2010 Thursday, March 3, 2022 10:18 AM Senate Education Senate Bill 140

Please vote YES on SB140. Protect all our young people. Thank you. Dave and Eileen Becker. Homer Alaska.

Sent from my iPad

From: Sent: To: Subject: Ron Kruckenberg Thursday, March 3, 2022 10:24 AM Sen. Shelley Hughes YES ON SB 140

As a rifle coach for students and other athletes in the field of shooting sports, I totally agree that a yes vote on SB140. This should not be a mixed sport with the biological male and biological female rules. The bodies are built differently and has a total effect on the shooting skills of both sexes. Males are usually stronger and biologically different in holding the rifles than their female counter parts. For one of the most prime examples, the female usually has their hip bones that can act as a resting spot for their elbow, when the male can usually only hold his rifle with his elbow against his rib bones. They have saying in the precision rifle shooting sport around the world. To be accurate the standing position, YOU SHOULD SHOOT LIKE A GIRL. I really hear nothing about this athletic sport on this subject, but I think it is a great example of the huge differences between the Male and Female sexes.

NRA Level 1 Rifle Coach Ron Kruckenberg

From: Sent: To: Subject: Wayne King Thursday, March 3, 2022 10:39 AM Senate Education SB 140

Please support SB 140 to protect women's sports. It is very unfair to let biological men participate against women because physically men are not built like women in any manner, even their thinking. No matter how they try to change their bodies it is still male and you do not get rid of that male chryomosome. What a shame they would subject themselves and go threw this procedure to change what never completely can be changed.

Marilyn King

From: Sent: To: Subject:

Thursday, March 3, 2022 10:45 AM Senate Education Support SB 140

I understand the Alaska State Senate Education Committee will be taking up Senate Bill 140 - the Even The Playing Field Act.

This crucial bill, sponsored by **Senator Shelley Hughes**, would ensure that women's athletics programs in public schools are actually reserved for women—not biological men.

There is a support statement of SB 140 signed by former and current Alaskan athletes and coaches. Just ten years ago, few people could have imagined that a bill like this would be necessary. But women's sports programs have <u>lately come under threat</u> from an extremist gender ideology that ignores the scientific reality that biological males have physical advantages over females—regardless of what someone claims as their "gender identity."

Male athletes generally have larger hearts and lungs, denser bones, and stronger muscles. It's precisely for that reason that unique women's sports programs were created in the first place, to create equal opportunities for women to have fair athletic competitions.

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From: Sent: To: Subject: Jennifer Hanson Thursday, March 3, 2022 10:56 AM Sen. Shelley Hughes SB 140

**Dear Senator Hughes:** 

Thank you for sponsoring this bill.

My name is Jennifer Hanson. I live in Valdez with my husband and two high school aged daughters. I support SB 140 and the defining for sex for school sports as biological sex. Please advance this bill.

Biological males have an unfair physical advantage in sports. My oldest daughter competed in the State Nordic Ski Championship this past weekend in Fairbanks. Protect the integrity of this sport and keep the playing field even.

Blessings, Jennifer Hanson

Valdez, AK 99686

Sent from Mail for Windows

From: Sent: To: Subject: Thursday, March 3, 2022 11:11 AM Senate Education SB 140

Please support SB 140 to protect women's sports. Sincerely Ruth Stratton

Sent from my iPad

From: Sent: To: Subject: Michael Miller Thursday, March 3, 2022 11:21 AM Senate Education SB 140

Just a note to say we support SB 140 "Even the Playing Field". Women's sports should be for biological women only. It just makes sense.

Mike and Joan Miller

From: Sent: To: Subject: Diane Patch Carlos 2022 11:29 AM Senate Education Oppose SB140

I am a former educator in Alaska and I urge you to protect trans kids in Alaska and oppose the anti trans school sports bill. All children deserve respect and opportunity, and understanding. I believe this bill is cruel, would violate the rights of these students.

Thank you. Diane Patch Homer Ak

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| Subject: |

Florie Wilcoxson Thursday, March 3, 2022 12:16 PM Sen. Shelley Hughes SB 140 Even the Playing Field Act

Dear Senator Hughes,

Thank you for sponsoring the SB 140 Even the Playing Field Act. This is a much needed bill and your efforts to bring equality to girls' and women's sports is appreciated. Thank you. Florie Wilcoxson Fairbanks, AK

| From:    | Amber and Skylar Clark                         |
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| Sent:    | Thursday, March 3, 2022 12:41 PM               |
| To:      | Senate Education                               |
| Subject: | Support for SB 140: I support female athletics |

Dear Senate Education Committee,

I am writing to you as a physician and mother of daughters and asking that you please support Senate Bill 140. I view this as the same as asking you to support female athletics.

As a physician, of course I absolutely see each human for what they are and who they are or who they want to be. I support trans people in their journey and would never want to deprive them of happiness or harm them in any way. However, as a mom of girls, I have to draw the line at female athletics. As anyone can see by what is going in with Lia Thomas on the UPenn swim team, it is obvious that it is unfair for a person who was born a biological male to complete in women's sports.

I'd like to specifically address a few issues:

1. While the opponents of this bill would point out that it will undermine the emotional health of trans students and cause an increase in stigmatization and isolation, I would ask "What about the emotional health of non-trans teen girls?" Nothing, not anything, comes without a cost. What would the cost be if this bill were not passed? While it may help trans teens it would be at the cost of non trans teen girls. This is not OK. Non trans teenage girls is a group historically at high risk of isolation, suicide, depression and anxiety, eating disorders, etc. Sports is one of the healthiest outlets for anyone at risk of the above, and having the ability to excel is a huge motivation. Taking that away by allowing biological male athletes to complete in the same events is devastating to these young women with fragile self esteem. I want my daughters to train and work their hardest, with the goal of one day winning first place, if they choose. When competitors who have gone through male puberty are direct competitors, that possibility falls to zero.

2. Opponents of the bill claim that its passage will somehow increase the risk of suicide for trans teens. First of all, what about the suicide risk of non-trans teen girls, which is a group making up roughly half of the teen population? And secondly, there is absolutely no evidence that not allowing a trans teen to compete on a woman's sporting team causes an increase in bullying or suicide. I believe there are many other, better ways to improve the self esteem of trans teens.

3. While some of the trans activists have confused the issue among themselves, it is merely an issue of biology. Male vs female, it is ingrained in every cell of our being with either XX or XY chromosomal footprints. This is immutable. While whether or not one chooses to act the part may be up for discussion, simple science tells us that there is EITHER male OR female. Anyone who has any training in biology knows this, and while they may be unwilling to apply this information, there is no new discovery that recently proved that gender is a spectrum. I am not so sure that there is a growing consensus of medical professionals who actually believe in the fallacy that chromosomal sex/biological sex means nothing. And of note - while there may be a federal law protecting all sorts of notions applying to gender ideology, this does not make it true.

Please consider reading "Irreversible Damage" by Abigail Shrier, a mom of girls, a friend of trans people, and a WSJ reporter/Yale JD.

Thank you for your consideration. PLEASE SUPPORT SENATE BILL 140. Sincerely, Amber Clark, MD

From: Sent: To: Subject: Thursday, March 3, 2022 12:42 PM Senate Education SB 140

Good Day,

Please provide a level field of play for women and girls in athletic programs by supporting SB 140. We encourage you to vote yes on this bill. Thank you for your efforts on behalf of the people of Alaska.

Rod and Bonnie Wheeles Anchorage

From: Sent: To: Subject: Greg Thursday, March 3, 2022 1:21 PM Senate Education Women's Sports

Women's athletics programs in public schools must be reserved for women. Biological men have an unfair advantage when competing with biological women.

Gregory J Van Thiel

From: Sent: To: Subject: David Anderson Control of Control

Please vote YES on this bill PLEASE!!

From: Sent: To: Subject: Greg Control of the second sec

Thank you, Shelley!

From: Sent: To: Subject: Trevor Millar Thursday, March 3, 2022 1:51 PM Senate Education Protect women sports

Please support SB 140, to protect women's sports.--Trevor Millar

907-301-8161

From: Sent: To: Subject: Katie Novcaski Thursday, March 3, 2022 3:20 PM Senate Education SB 140 Equality for women

Hello,

I encourage you to vote for this bill.

I was among the first recipients of Title 9 bringing in the development of girls only sports. Thank goodness, as I liked to play basketball and would never have made the boy's team in high school. Biological males typically have larger lungs and hearts and a lot of times larger overalframes. Overall their muscles are stronger and their bones are more dense. Taking hormone pills does not reduce the size of ones lungs, frame, or hearts.

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It seems as if someone advocating for trans people need to develop a trans sports program, that would be fair for all. To take away opportunities for fair competition for girls and women is discrimination toward the biological female and puts us back decades in understanding biology and civil rights.

Sincerely, Katherine Novcaski

From: Sent: To: Subject: Robin Marsh Thursday, March 3, 2022 3:21 PM Senate Education Support SB140

I am a lifelong(58 years)Alaskan. I have raised 8 kids (4 boys 4 girls)in this state and currently have 13 grandchildren here! For the sake of current and future generations of girls please support sb140 and protect girls/women's sports. Fair sports competition depends on the true biological sex of a person. If a person wants to be identified as belonging to a transgender personification then they can play on a co-ed team or in a co-ed sport. It is not discrimination to have biological girls compete against the same biological girls and for biological males to compete against the same biological males. It is fair and right. Protect female sports! Thank you.

**Robin Marsh** 

Anchorage AK 99507

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HOWARD J R JANNECK Thursday, March 3, 2022 3:45 PM Senate Education Senate Education

I am for Senate Bill 140. It is not fair to the young girls of our state to have to compete against transgender. The transgenders have an advantage over all the girls. This will limit the girls chances at scholarships. It is well documented that transgender will retain most of their male hormones even with the medication and be able to out perform the girls. If transgenders want to compete in sports let them compete against each other not our girls. Most of the transgender have not physically altered their bodies to look like girls and I do not want my great granddaughters to have to be exposed to a naked male transgender.

Vicki Janneck

From: Sent: To: Subject: Theresa Bird Thursday, March 3, 2022 4:09 PM Senate Education YES on SB 140

Please protect women's sports in Alaska by voting YES on SB 140.

Sincerely, Theresa Bird 99507

"Fight Communism every way and everywhere you can!" 🗛 🍰 🎔 💪 US 💱

"There can be no true promotion of man's dignity unless the essential order of his nature is respected."

"The anguish of imminent danger is the seal of barbaric times." -Cardinal Sarah

From: Sent: To: Subject: Cheri Hegge Thursday, March 3, 2022 4:48 PM Senate Education School sports

Biological males should not be permitted to play on females sports teams nor should they be allowed in the girls locker room. This should be common sense hard to believe anything else would be acceptable.

Please do the right thing and protect our girls and school sports in general.

Thank you,

**Cherol Hegge** 

From: Sent: To: Subject: Brandi Thursday, March 3, 2022 4:53 PM Sen. Shelley Hughes Senate Bill 140

Senator Hughes,

Thank you for introducing Senate Bill 140 to protect girls in sports. As a parent with a daughter, the idea of girls and boys competing with each other in physical sports is very concerning to me. I strongly agree with the logic that female athletes should not have to compete against biological males, regardless of their hormone levels or preferred pronouns, because males have unfair physical advantages due to the growth and development differences between males and females. While I support inclusivity of all individuals who wish to engage in sports, pitting girls against their larger and stronger male peers is not a fair way to accomplish that goal. If girls' sports are not protected as such, I fear there will be much fewer girls engaging in sports at all, and that would be a big loss for them - for their physical health, their confidence, and their futures, as sports help to keep kids of any gender occupied and out of trouble.

Thank you, Brandi Fleshman

| From:    | Kristen Bush                            |
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| Sent:    | Thursday, March 3, 2022 5:15 PM         |
| То:      | Senate Education                        |
| Cc:      | Sen, Lora Reinbold; Sen. Peter Micciche |
| Subject: | SB140                                   |

**To Esteemed Alaskan Senators** 

I support SB140 to protect our girls/women's sports in this State at all levels of competition and non-competitive sports, both recreationally and school-related sports. I believe that a biological male is not altered to a degree that would make it fair for biological females competing against them or with them.

Even if a male takes female hormones in order to try and transition into a female, that person is simply still a male - with larger bone structure, larger lung capacity, greater strength and has a physical advantage no matter how many hormones they take or how many operations they have they are still male. I do sympathize with these people and my heart goes out to them - but they are only female in their minds - their bodies are still the same bodies they were born with and a blood test would identify them as male.

There's no reason why they can't compete in male athletics.

What do you tell all the little girls that are growing up in the state when they go to try out for a team leader that's competitive and two males that believe they are females end up taking their spots? How is that any fair how are they supposed to compete against not only their own biological gender but also the male biological gender ? What you are essentially doing is creating a coed sport that gives them an advantage over females. It's wrong on so many levels that I don't even understand why we are having this conversation nationally. Please protect our young girls and our young women and their sports by passing this bill.

Regards,

Kristen Bush

From: Sent: To: Subject:

Thursday, March 3, 2022 5:40 PM Senate Education Woman's Sports

Yes on SB140. Lets stop this nonsense right now and put it behind us. Women's sports are exactly that and nothing more. What is next, a gazelle in the 100 yard dash? Please vote yes on SB140 !!!!thank you. Donald Becker

From: Sent: To: Subject: Windy Perkins Thursday, March 3, 2022 6:11 PM Senate Education Support SB 140

Please support SB 140! As a mother I want my daughter to have a fair chance in sports and be able to compete with other biological females. Thank you!!

Windy Perkins Anchorage Resident

Jesus is the Way, the Truth, and the Life

From: Sent: To: Subject: Jen Syzdek **Characteristics** Thursday, March 3, 2022 6:14 PM Senate Education SB 140 - YES

Please protect women's sports in Alaska by voting YES on SB 140.

Thank you, Jen Syzdek Eagle River AK

From: Sent: To: Subject: dorothy deblauw Thursday, March 3, 2022 7:29 PM Senate Education SB 140

Please pass 140, it is common sense that a bological male weather he is on hormone therapy or had his genitalia altered has an unfair advantage over women. Sincerely Don De Blauw Sent from my iPhone

From: Sent: To: Subject: Skylar Clark Thursday, March 3, 2022 8:59 PM Sen. Shelley Hughes Protect Girls Sports

I support your efforts to protect girls sports and fair competition. I have two young daughters in elementary school. Thank you.

Skylar Clark

From: Sent: To: Subject: LBaxter March 3, 2022 9:00 PM Senate Education SB 140

I Strongly support SB 140.

Thanks,

Loran Baxter

Sent from my Galaxy

From: Sent: To: Subject: Dlwagar Charles 2022 9:04 PM Senate Education SB 140

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From: Sent: To: Subject: Skylar Clark Thursday, March 3, 2022 9:07 PM Senate Education Girls Sports

I support your efforts to protect girls sports and fair competition. I have two young daughters in elementary school. We thank you for your interest in ensuring their ability to compete fairly against other girls in future endeavors.

Skylar Clark

From: Sent: To: Subject: LBaxter Characteristics (1997) Thursday, March 3, 2022 9:17 PM Sen. Shelley Hughes SB140

Senator Hughes,

I strongly support SB140.

Loran Baxter

Sent from my Galaxy

From: Sent: To: Subject: Karenina Brooks **Characteristics** Thursday, March 3, 2022 11:35 PM Sen. Shelley Hughes Bill 140

I writting in support of bill 140

Single-sex sport for women and girls is a fundamental good for our society. Women's sport has given us unforgettable Olympic Gold Medal moments and world champions who have inspired our nation.

Millions of American parents and grandparents have proudly watched their daughters' and granddaughters' sporting achievements: playing their first game, winning their first trophy, making their first state team, or getting their first professional contract.

Women's sport exists to provide separate competition for females, in acknowledgement that males have numerous physical advantages over females in the sporting arena.

Do women and girls have the right to play single-sex sport?

I would say our title nine rights has acknowledged that sex is relevant in sport, but under recent interpretations by the current administration it has unacceptably limited the circumstances in which single-sex sport can be offered. As a result, sports clubs, associations and volunteers are threatened with legal action if they exclude males from women's sport.

In recent years, too many sporting bodies and institutions have shamed themselves and betrayed women by answering "no" to this simple question. Worse, female athletes and women speaking up in support of single-sex sport have been censored, denigrated and told to shut up.

This is why we need this bill 140 to pass. Need to protect women and girls sports. Having a bill that distinguishes sex as biological does not take away from a trans identified individual to play sports. It only requires them to play the sport of the proper sex.

Gender identity is a subjective and changeable thing, it has no bearing on objective reality. It is essentially personality. We cannot protect everyone's personality with law. Sex however is a objective truth that can be protected and has been protected by law until very recently when the current administration has pushed through its own ideology which is threatening the rights, privacy and safety of women and girls.

Thank you for your time Karenina Brooks

From: Sent: To: Subject: David Keddington Friday, March 4, 2022 4:57 AM Senate Education YES SB140

Please support SB140. It seems nearly incomprehensible to us that after all the efforts to build-up and protect women and women's athletics we even have to consider such a bill. The societal madness to go to such extremes to support a very small percentage of the population at the great expense of so many is irresponsible. Although we can all be empathetic to those with identity-challenges, we make matters much worse by failing to protect the overwhelming majority - in this case - the biologically born and fairly competing female athlete. We have raised 3 such female athletes and have 4 grand-daughters already in female athletics. We implore you, PROTECT THEM!

Dave and Kris Keddington Anchorage

From: Sent: To: Subject: David Keddington Friday, March 4, 2022 5:01 AM Sen. Shelley Hughes Yes on SB140

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Peter B. **Carlos Constant Service State** Friday, March 4, 2022 6:35 AM Senate Education; Sen. Shelley Hughes

Please pass SB 140 so girls and women in Alaska will not be discriminated against in sports in our schools! Do not allow biological males to compete against biological females.

From: Sent: To: Subject: Peter Brautigam Friday, March 4, 2022 6:37 AM Senate Education; Sen. Shelley Hughes SB140

Please pass SB 140 so girls and women in Alaska will not be discriminated against in sports in our schools! Personally, if some man wants to pretend and identify as a female, that is his/her choice. But he/she still cannot change his/her core DNA chromosome sequencing and he/she still has 1X and 1Y chromosomes. Do not allow biological males to compete against biological females.

Peter Brautigam Anchorage Alaska

From: Sent: To: Subject: Cynde Hill Control Con

Good morning!

I am writing today to encourage you - urge you! - to support the Even The Playing Field Act (Senate Bill 140). I applaud your efforts to bring this matter into law to help our young women take heart in fair athletic competitions in our public schools. Many years ago Americans recognized this need with Title IX and I sincerely hope that as Alaskans we can stand up for this right to give women's sports the "even playing field" promised in SB 140 and hoped for in the hearts of women athletes.

Thank you for your service,

Cynthia A. Hill



From: Sent: To: Subject: Keith Forsgrene Friday, March 4, 2022 8:27 AM Senate Education SB140

Please pass SB140 so girls and women in Alaska won't be discriminated against in sports in our schools!

From: Sent: To: Subject: dorothy deblauw Friday, March 4, 2022 8:42 AM Senate Education SB 140

I support SB 140 and thankful for it! Oppose the bullying of Planned Parenthood in their support of transgenders in women's athletics. DorothyDeBlauw

Sent from my iPhone

From: Sent: To: Subject: Sharon Newsom Friday, March 4, 2022 8:43 AM Senate Education SB140

Please pass SB140 to support women and girls, and protect female sports.

Teena Ray Friday, March 4, 2022 9:12 AM Senate Education Transgender Mistake

To Whom It Concerns:

I have granddaughters and grandsons. They, their parents, and I shouldn't have to worry about who is in public bathrooms and locker rooms with them! I shouldn't have to worry about who is in the bathroom or locker room with ME, either!

If you are so enamored with trying to accommodate transgendered people's feelings, why aren't you equally enamored with accommodating non-transgendered people's feelings? We matter also!! If you want to help Transgendered people so much, give them their own bathrooms and locker rooms. I don't want confused boys going to the bathroom with my granddaughters. And vice-versa with my grandsons. You are only creating massive confusion by putting them together when they are young.

You are also creating a potentially dangerous situation, not just for the non-transgendered, but also for the transgendered. Some father comes in to make sure his little girl is okay and finds a boy, a male teenager, or a man talking to his little girl with his penis exposed and that father is going to hurt that male. And let's say nobody walks in and that male rapes that little girl because he's not really a transgendered person, he's a pedophile rapist. There are no do-overs. That little girl is scarred for life, mentally and physically. Her trust in people is destroyed! Her innocence can't be taken back! Why is that "transgendered" person's life so much more important than that little girl's life?

When you go to make such big decisions, such as letting transgendereds go into the bathroom or locker room of the gender they "identify" with, I pray to God you are thinking of ALL the ramifications and of ALL the potential problems, and not making decisions based on your emotions. Let me ask you this, are your emotions ready to be held liable if someone is raped or killed because of your emotional decision? Do your emotions have deep pockets for when you get sued because you didn't protect someone (either the transgendered and non-transgendered)? Are your emotions ready to handle a person's death that you could have prevented?

Please, do not make a decision like this with your emotions, but rather with your intellect. There's more at stake here than just cow-towing to a small fraction of society.

Thank you. May God be at the helm of your decision making.

Sincerely,

Teena Ray

From: Sent: To: Subject: Randy Rogers Calebra (1997) Friday, March 4, 2022 9:19 AM Sen. Shelley Hughes SB140

Having had two daughters that competed while in school, and now having a granddaughter doing the same, I fully support SB140. There is no reason not to protect our girls and women from competing against biological males. Thank you.

Randy Rogers Soldotna

From: Sent: To: Subject: Lisa Hart **Cardinate State (1997)** Friday, March 4, 2022 9:19 AM Sen. Shelley Hughes; Senate Education Support for SB-140

Imagine a young woman lining up at a swim meet and the competitor next to her was once a young man going through puberty, maybe one year prior. Now her competitor identifies as female. One year ago, her competitor's musculature, bone structure, and heart and lung capacity developed as those of a male-determined well before birth-determined not by a surgeon, but by natural law.

Preparing to race, she knows there is no chance of winning-and that if she complains, that any chance of legitimately earning a college scholarship evaporates under the shiny scrutiny of "cancel culture". The race starts, she plunges into the water. She knows that she was one of the top swimmers in the state just one year prior. Now she watches helplessly as her biological male/transgender female competitor with the naturally larger heart and lung capacity swims faster and farther away taking away any chance of a legitimately earned college scholarship.

I ask how you would feel telling your biologically female children and each generation thereafter-who hope to represent their gender, their school, their region, their state-and even their nation-by fair competition; that they no longer have the capability to win. Women will have lost everything gained over the last 50+ years.

In the US, during the month of March we celebrate women's history by commemorating and encouraging the study, observance, and celebration of the vital role of women throughout history.

I remember how important the old advertising slogan, "You've come a long way, baby!" was to American women in the last century. Why would anyone-from ANY side of the aisle-support sending women such a long way back?

I strongly support Senator Hughes' bill-SB 140. I encourage others to think about the irrevocable harm that will be done to generations of Alaskan biological females if SB 140 fails to pass.

Sincerely,

/s/ Lisa J. Hart

From: Sent: To: Cc: Subject:

Friday, March 4, 2022 9:48 AM Senate Education Allard, Jamie Senate Bill 140

To Whom I Hope Will Listen:

I am writing in support of Senate Bill 140.

Our Alaskan family is vehemently opposed to transgendered or gender fluid "identifying" individuals being included in bathrooms, locker rooms, and sports teams of the opposite sex, outside of their gender at birth. Not only is this a safety issue for children and adolescent youth to be put in a position to protect themselves without aid from an adult, but it's also wildly inappropriate and fulfilling the agendas of those on the liberal, far left. Who is protecting my children who identify as the young boys or young girls they were born at birth to be? Outside of our immediate family, it seems as though nobody in our public libraries, schools, pools, and now our sports teams are willing to protect my children from unnecessary, excessively inappropriate, morally wrong situations. Must we homeschool our children until college!?!? Is there no backbone in our own statehood, no moral compass showing our youth what we expect of them as they grow and become adults?!?! How can any of these children be productive members of our society if they all fall into some trap that they can change their gender whenever they "feel" like it?!? It is one thing to allow a child to fall into that particular trap, it's another thing entirely to lead all the other children (without these identity issues) into the trap as well.

I support Senate Bill 140 so that my daughter can be protected from unsafe advances, urges and even proximity to an individual who has biologically male DNA or parts in what should be "safe places" like our schools, libraries, pools, and sports teams. I support Senate Bill 140 so that my son can be protected from unwarranted behaviors, unnatural inclinations, and even nearness to an individual who has biologically female DNA or parts in what should be "safe places" like our schools, libraries, pools and sports teams.

If the taxpayers and law abiding Alaskans are voting in Senators who aren't in support of this bill, I have all faith and assurance that the greater good of us will come for those seats next. I witnessed the poison begin in our assemblies, then it leached into the school board, then our political infrastructure, and obviously it's rampant in the medical industry now. However, this poison has NO PLACE in our classrooms, in our pools, in our public libraries and in the sports teams of our youth.

Please vote in support of Senate Bill 140.

Warmly,

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From: Sent: To: Rex Gray Friday, March 4, 2022 9:56 AM Senate Education

I strongly support SB 140. Please keep the playing field fair. Rex

Sent from my iPhone

Carolyn Frey Friday, March 4, 2022 10:17 AM Senate Education gender in sports

I think it is absurd that the Alaska legislature would allow original gender to be ignored in sports. This would totally abandon the principle of Title 9.

The X and Y chromosomes should be the determining factor. Not what people "identify" as.

**Carolyn Frey** 

markdundore Friday, March 4, 2022 10:24 AM Senate Education Senate Bill 140

Hello,

Regarding Senate Bill 140.

I strongly recommend that all input from Planned Parenthood be discounted regarding this matter. This corporation has no vested interest and is a bully trying to use their influence and money to manipulate the outcome.

They should stick to the baby killing and selling of body parts which is their bread and butter...

Thank you, Mark (Atyátx'i Latíni) Dundore

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Friday, March 4, 2022 10:56 AM Senate Education SB 140 .

PLEASE pass SB140!! It should be unanimous! Thank you.

Eilisa Maes Friday, March 4, 2022 10:58 AM Senate Education SB 140

Good Afternoon,

Please make female and male sports based on biological sex.

Locker rooms, bathrooms and anything else affording women and men privacy should be based on biological sex

Women are different from men and have fought a long hard battle to be recognized and protected.

I'm not against transsexual people or people with gender dysphoria. They have their own needs. To just throw them in with biological women or biological men does a disservice to everyone. It is disrespectful.

Their needs can be accommodated by creating co educational sports, or a transsexual category, single use bathrooms and locker rooms.

Thank you for your time

Eilisa Maes



Arlene Rasic Friday, March 4, 2022 11:15 AM Senate Education Senate bill 140

Hi

I am writing in support of senate bill 140, that will protect women athletes from unfair competitors.

We also need to provide an avenue for the athletic people that have had physical changes from their original birth gender.

Maybe a separate sport designation that competes their score with other transgender athletes- We should look for ways to compromise this issue.

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This can be used for other topics also.

Compromise so both parties get recognition (ie1619 and 1776)

Thank you

Take care

Arlene

Rodney Christiansen Friday, March 4, 2022 11:21 AM Senate Education; Sen.Shelly.Hughes@akleg.gov SB140

Alaska Senators,

As a retired high-school coach and science teacher I STRONGLY SUPPORT THE PASSAGE OF SB140, THE EVEN PLAYING FIELD ACT.

I have coached boys and girls in multiple sports for 30+ years. I have studied and taught biology for 30 + years. Please do not stand by and allow emotions of the day to devastate girls sports in our great state! The data is CLEAR. Thank-you,

Rod Christiansen,

Palmer AK. (lifelong)

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William T. Batson, Jr. Friday, March 4, 2022 11:25 AM Senate Education SB140

I understand and fully support the passage of SB140, to protect girls sports.

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William T. Batson Jr. D.D.S. Anchorage, Alaska

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Paige Hodson Friday, March 4, 2022 11:58 AM Senate Education I oppose SB 140/Transgender sports discrimination bill

Chair Holland and committee members,

I am writing to state my opposition to 5B 140. I am a constituent in Senate District L/House District 24.

This bill is sadly reminiscent of the "Bathroom bill" initiative that Anchorage residents voted down resoundingly. The push for that bill was ugly, divisive, and hurtful to our community, particularly our LGBTQ members. There is no place in any of our communities for legislative actions that target individual groups for discrimination, and this is what this bill does.

Children that are gender non-conforming struggle with enough in navigating their identities without adults that should know better singling them out and denying them the same opportunities as other students. Participation in sports is a healthy outlet that should be afforded to all students.

This bill would deny basic privacy for kids. Who do you suppose is going to make the determination whether a child is trans or not?

Is some teacher or coach going to size kids up as to whether they are "masculine or feminine" enough to require further inspection/intrusion into their personal lives?

Parents are not going to stand for discriminatory and abusive treatment, and I can not imagine that the schools, districts and states would not be opening themselves up to hefty litigation.

It makes me so sad and angry to see Alaska legislators introduce something that only seeks to harm minority communities, and in this instance, children.

Please do better.





Friday, March 4, 2022 12:24 PM Sen. Shelley Hughes SB 140

Senator Shelley Hughes,

First let me thank you for taking the path of truth and righteousness in sponsoring Senate Bill 140 to protect our children/youth and young adults participating in sports in Alaska schools! Thank you!!

We strongly support this bill and Strongly agree that as far as protecting the integrity of our children, gender MUST remain the two scientific ones used in prior history as male or female as displayed at birth.

Others who feel the personal need to change that need to as their own personal business, they are not disliked, but every law cannot be changed to accommodate everyone's feelings. If planned parenthood believes trans gender need sports, then let them develop and run their own sporting programs.

Planned parenthood is pushing an agenda into the schools, and they do NOT belong in our schools. Their agenda is evil and does not support life! This is not what schools and educational programs are about!

Thank you for looking out for the best for our children, youth, and young adults by this Senate Bill 140.

Debbie Cook Soldotna, AK wife, mom, grandma, former teacher, and support of positive healthy communities in AK, and pro life!

From: Sent: To: Subject: Charlene Melson Friday, March 4, 2022 12:33 PM Senate Education Even the Playing Field Act

Please support this legislation. Biological men should not compete in women's sports.

Charlene Melson

Chickaloon, AK

Sent from my iPad

Sara Bounds Friday, March 4, 2022 12:38 PM Senate Education SB 140

I would like to urge all committee members to support Senate Bill 140.

There is no reason we should have to waste time on this, but this is where we are.

Please do this and do it quickly so we can work on actual problems. I find this to be an epic waste of time, energy, money stating the obvious, but again this is where we are.

Thank you, Sara Bounds Concerned Citizen

Sent from my iPhone

Jamez Terry Friday, March 4, 2022 12:42 PM Senate Education Public testimony on SB 140

I oppose SB 140. It responds to an imagined problem, as trans athletes have not created any actual harm in our state despite the fact that trans people of all ages have been participating in sports consistent with their gender for decades. At the same time, it creates a new problem that will cause additional harm to young trans people who are already marginalized, maligned, and misunderstood. Trans students participate in sports for the same reasons other young people do: to challenge themselves, improve fitness, and be part of a team. Efforts to ban trans youth from participating in sports alongside their peers will jeopardize their mental health, physical well-being and ability to access education opportunities comparable to their peers. Additionally, just having their validity debated in the public sphere is already creating undue stress and trauma. I know this to be true as I am a pediatric chaplain, and I hear this distress expressed by young people that I work with. It is unacceptable for government to intentionally create harm for vulnerable young people, as SB 140 would do. I oppose it strongly and unequivocally and request that you end this discriminatory effort immediately.

Rev. Dameron Terry Anchorage, AK



Connie -Friday, March 4, 2022 12:56 PM Senate Education SUPPORT FOR SB140 • • • •

1 support SB140 in making a fair competition for GIRLS in girls sports.

Connie Woolard



NERGY RATINGS INC ALASKA PROFESSIONAL Friday, March 4, 2022 1:00 PM Sen. Shelley Hughes SB 140

Senator Hughes,

Thank you for supporting women in athletics and introducing SB 140.

Thank you for helping promote and protect women against the unfair advantages biological males, who compete against biological females in athletics.

SB 140, has my support, Senator Hughes, thank you!

Best regards, Deanna Jenkins

From: Sent: To: Subject: Evelyn Conwell Friday, March 4, 2022 1:34 PM Senate Education SB140

Please pass SB140 so girls and women in Alaska won't be discriminated against in sports in our schools!

E.R.Conwell

Elyce Santerre Friday, March 4, 2022 1:49 PM Senate Education Sen. Shelley Hughes Support Women's sports

When I was in high school, girls only got to use the athletic fields when the boys' teams didn't need them. Interscholastic events were called "play dates." I am not kidding.

Title IX changed that, and my daughters had full access to the benefits of sports competition.

I now have granddaughters who are just reaching the age of athletic competition. I really thought full access for girls would continue for more than one generation. Unfortunately, a whole lot of people still hate women's sports. They hate that women can be cheered and celebrated for a performance that any good high school male could beat. They don't care that in terms of training and effort and heart, female athletes earn those accolades. If you think I'm exaggerating, remember the (male) fan who was looking forward to watching Lia Thomas, and "seeing people's heads explode" when Lia won.

It is no more unfair to give girls "a league of their own" than it is unfair to keep heavyweight wrestlers confined to the heavyweight division. Why is it so hard to recognize that people who have had testosterone, whether naturally or artificially, have an unfair advantage if allowed to compete against biological women? Why are we putting the desires, wishes, and alleged well being of biological males ahead of biological females yet again? No one is saying biological males who think they are women can't compete — only that they must compete in the division in which their bodies belong.

Our girls deserve their space. Don't erase women's sports to make certain males, or if you prefer, "trans women," feel better about themselves.

Elyce Santerre

Sent from my iPad

Andy Friday, March 4, 2022 1:56 PM Senate Education SB-140

I am writing in support of Senate Bill 140 which would require an athlete to compete in accordance with their sex at birth.

There are glaringly obvious reasons why biological men should not compete in women's sports and vice versa irregardless of changes to their body, whether it be spiritually, medically, physically or even mentally. At a cellular level a male at birth is that, a male, no amount of chemical interruptions or physical alterations can change that. The physical strength of a male is also very well documented in many peer reviewed scientific journals and has become very evident in many sport competition events worldwide, this, without any doubt gives a born male an unfair advantage over biological females. We must let the laws of nature dictate to us the clear separation of both sexes, we must understand that. I support the passage of SB-140 and am seeking your support as well, Thank you.

--Andrew Malavansky Palmer, Alaska

Friday, March 4, 2022 3:55 PM Senate Education Support 140

Our girls deserve to compete against other girls, Period.

Like a dad once said, "I don't let my boys [her brothers] rough up my daughter, why would I let any other boy do it?"

"Keep good company, read good books, love good things and cultivate soul and body as faithfully as you can"....."Rose In Bloom" by Louisa May Alcott

Kit Holmstrom Friday, March 4, 2022 4:45 PM Senate Education SB140

I am requesting that the Senate Education Committee members support SB140 that is being sponsored by Senator Sheliy Hughes. It is imperative that we protect the integrity of women's sports. Females have worked long and hard to have viable competitive sports programs in the United States. Biologically we know that males have physical advantages over females. This fact alone would skew the competition. Please support SB140. Sincerely L. Kathryn Holmstrom. Sent from my iPhone

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From: Sent: To: Subject: Kelsey Fentress Friday, March 4, 2022 7:18 PM Senate Education SB140

Dear Sir or Madam,

I am writing in support of SB140. Please protect the rights of girls and women to be competitive in their own sports. Do not disregard biological science in favor of a nonsensical meta-narrative. Thanks! Kelsey Fentress Get <u>Outlook for iOS</u>

Diana Kurka Friday, March 4, 2022 7:59 PM Senate Education Female athletes short Senate Bill 141

As a former administrator in the Anchorage School District I fully support our female athletes and feel Senate Bill 140 will level the playing field.

I hope you thoughtfully consider the impact on these hard working and committed athletes.

Respectfully, Diana KURKA, Retired Principal

Sent from my iPhone

Al Kastar Friday, March 4, 2022 8:12 PM Senate Education HB SB140

Legislators:

I adamantly support SB140 because I want female athletes to have the opportunities to show their athletic abilities throughout their participation in sports. Those unique abilities can only be displayed and enjoyed when they are competing against their "gender at birth" peers. The unfair competition against born females by born males would result in some gifted females losing scholarships and the joy of lifelong athletic participation.

Al Kastar

Al Kastar Friday, March 04, 2022 8:30 PM Sen. Shelley Hughes SB 140 Even Playing Field Act

Senator Hughes:

I adamantly support SB140 because I want female athletes to have the opportunities to show their athletic abilities throughout their participation in sports. Those unique abilities can only be displayed and fully enjoyed when they are competing against their "gender at birth" peers. The unfair competition against born females by born males would result in some gifted females losing scholarships and the joy of lifelong athletic participation. The very reason why we have different "Class levels" of competition in sports all over the US is because there is an attempt to maximize the sporting experience by competing against one's peers. For example, in Alaska we have 1A, 2A, 3A, and 4A classifications based on school population so that the playing field is leveled and schools of every size have a chance to win state championships. Please support SB 140.

Al Kastar

Rodney George Friday, March 4, 2022 11:09 PM Senate Education SB -140

I support SB 140 to protect biological females in sports. We need to stop the insanity of the "woke" mob.

Rodney George

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Ted Bryant Friday, March 4, 2022 11:14 PM Senate Education; Sen. Shelley Hughes SB140

I am writing in full support of passing SB140. I have been involved in women's/girls' sports for over 20 years. I addition my daughter has played competitive sports her whole life and is currently playing volleyball in college. While I understand the narrative of wanting to be inclusive for transgender people. Biological men who become transgender women have an absolute unfair biological advantage when it comes to sports. I believe allowing transgender women to compete with biological women, is completely unfair. I believe that if a male athlete decides to change genders, then that athlete needs to know in advance that women's sports is off the table. To allow these formerly male athletes to compete as women denies the women of their legitimate success because of an unfair playing field. It adversely affects women's team sports as well as women's individual sports. We cannot, must not, pander to politics when it comes to fair play in sports. Many women/girls will lose opportunities for scholarships, college acceptance, and self-esteem. They will lose the recognition they deserve for their accomplishments or defeats when they must compete against former men. I understand the desire to try to be accepting of transgender people, but there must be an understanding by THEM of the legitimate right of biological women to compete against each other. Anything else is completely unfair and diminishes the sport, the competition, and the results.

This has nothing to do with an individual's choice to be whomever they choose. This has everything to do with maintaining a level playing field for all Womens'/girls' sports. Anything less is unjust. Do not tell women/girl athletes that they don't matter because you're trying to be political.

Sincerely, Theodore Bryant Wasilla, AK

Susan & Jeff Allen Friday, March 4, 2022 11:57 PM Senate Education SB140 ۹,

I fully support SB140!

Sent from Jeff's iPhone

Shelly Shupe Saturday, March 5, 2022 6:57 AM Senate Education SB 140

God morning,

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I am emailing to support SB 140. Please protect women athletes rights by passing this bill. It is wildly unfair to allow biological males to compete against women.

It is also wrong to allow biological males in women's restrooms and locker rooms. I would like to see these spaces protected also.

Thank you.

-Cheryl Shupe Moose Creek, AK 99705

Penny Nixon Saturday, March 5, 2022 8:26 AM Senate Education SB140 7

Dear Sir/Madam,

I and my family fully support SB140.

Fraternally, Penny Nixon Wasilla, AK

Saturday, March 5, 2022 2:44 PM Senate Education mike.t.kruse@gmail.com SB 140

Senators,

I am writing in support of SB 140 as introduced by my senator, Shelly Hughes.

I am a Palmer resident, healthcare provider, mother of a daughter and a female college athlete.

There is nothing more discriminatory and disparaging to women then forcing them to compete against men. I would never allow my daughter to compete athletically against males as it is an attack on women and girls.

It took many years for women to have organized sports of their own because of the mysogyny and lack of value towards women's rights and women's engagement. Women of America history faught hard to have the ability to go to university, to be able to attain the same degrees as men and to have athletic opportunities of their own. To force women/girls to compete against men/ boys will reduce women's opportunities for financial scholarships, college athletic positions and will devalue women.

Sports must be separated by physical gender to remain fair. Females cannot attain the physical dominance men can and men no matter how much they wish to be female cannot undo the genetics and hormone differences that differentiate women from men. Science has demonstrated this fact for decades To vote against this is to attack women and young girls and devalue their hard work.

I urge you all to support this bill and not to marginalize young Alaskan girls and women.

Thank you, Kendal Kruse

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S J Rogers-May ∢artsycraftsy2@gmail.com Saturday, March 5, 2022 4:19 PM Senate Education; Sen. Shelley Hughes SB140

## We fully support SB140 the Even Playing Field Act.

Jeff and Sandy May Wasilla

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jennifer sampson Saturday, March 5, 2022 5:04 PM Senate Education SB 140

Hello,

I am writing you today to ask that you take a stand for girls everywhere! Voting to oppose SB 140 will be a slap in the face for girls. It would be taking a step back in time where men overpower and dominate women. I can't imagine the number of girls this would alienate from sports. Please, please vote in favor of SB 140 so we don't have to worry about the boys dominating the girls categories.

Thank you,

Jennifer Sampson Fairbanks

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John Thies Sunday, March 06, 2022 2:52 PM Sen. Natasha Von Imhof; Sen. Shelley Hughes SB 140. DESIGNATE SEX FOR SCHOOL-SPONSORED SPORTS

My wife and I are in full support of this bill. Please pass this bill, get it on record and let the courts decide on its merits.

Regards, John & Linda Thies

Anchorage, AK. 99515

Eileen Becker Sunday, March 6, 2022 3:30 PM Senate Education SB 140

There is and always be a major difference between men and women's athletic ability. This gender confusion is doing damage to society. Please don't allow it to become worse. Two and only two, male and female. Dave and Eileen Becker. Homer Ak

Sent from my iPhone

Pamela Melin Sunday, March 6, 2022 7:11 PM Senate Education; Sen. Shelley Hughes SB140 Support

I fully and absolutely support SB140. Please pass SB140 so girls and women in Alaska don't have to be discriminated against in sports in our schools.

Pamela Melin Palmer, Alaska

John & Candy Miller Sunday, March 6, 2022 7:46 PM Senate Education sb140

We, my wife and I, along with hundreds of other sober thinking people support SB140. To allow biological males to compete in girls sports in insane. I am very interested in knowing who would vote against this. If this is allowed to happen,

males competing against females, it will destroy women's sports all together. The girls will stop competing. This insanity has to stop. Pass SB140 and protect girls sports.

John Miller

49 year Alaska resident. I have 4 daughters and 9 grand daughters

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cmosher Sunday, March 6, 2022 8:53 PM Senate Education; Shelley Hughes To Whom It May Concern,

I do not feel it is right to have transgender males playing in women's sports. There should be a third category of transgender athletes where it would be a fairer playing field. Have a transgender dressing room for them, too. I am against SB 140, please do not pass this Senate Bill.

Sincerely,

Cathy K Mosher President of Valley Republican Women of Alaska

Sent from my Verizon, Samsung Galaxy smartphone

Monday, March 7, 2022 12:49 AM Senate Education Sen. Shelley Hughes SB 140 Even Playing Field

Hello,

My name is Temple Christiansen. I live in Palmer, Alaska. I grew up competing in sports in Alaska and have also done some coaching.

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I am very concerned about protecting fairness in girls' and women's sports, and fully support SB 140.

Thank you, Temple Christiansen

Janette Montague Monday, March 7, 2022 1:57 AM Senate Education SB140

I absolutely support SB 140, so our Alaskan girls and women are not discriminated against or denied scholarship opportunities in school sports.

Thank you, Janette Montague Sent from my iPhone

wws 1942 Monday, March 7, 2022 3:05 AM Senate Education SB-140

Please pass SB140 so girls and women in Alaska won't be discriminated against in sports in our schools.

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Gail Kozlowski Monday, March 7, 2022 5:47 AM Senate Education Sb140

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Please pass SB140 so women and girls will not be discriminated against. Gail Kozlowski

Anna Weiss Monday, March 7, 2022 5:54 AM Senate Education; Sen. Shelley Hughes SB 140 - Pass this one! Sex discrimination is wrong

SB 140 needs to be passed. It is wrong to allow males to compete against females when it comes to sports. Men vs men and women vs women as their natural born genetic gender. Period. No qualifiers at all.

It is wrong to hurt women by allowing men to go head to head in athletics.

Warm regards, Anna Weiss

Speak up for those who cannot speak for themselves, for the rights of all who are destitute. Speak up and judge fairly; defend the rights of the poor and needy. Proverbs 31:8-9

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Monday, March 7, 2022 7:04 AM Senate Education SB140

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SB140 needs to be passed. Allowing biological men to compete in girls and women's sports is discrimination against girls and women.

Samantha DenBleyker



Monday, March 7, 2022 7:39 AM Senate Education Sen. Shelley Hughes SB140

Good morning,

Please pass SB140 so girls and women in Alaska won't be discriminated against in sports in our schools!

Thank you,

**Ronald Jassen Michael** 

Terry McCarter Monday, March 7, 2022 7:51 AM Senate Education SB140

There should be no question on this subject, no boys allowed period. Boys are stronger than girls even with chemical treatments to enhance them this does not change their physical advantage in sports. For all the women's groups who want equality for all women you should be ashamed that you would vote NO on this subject. Voting NO on SB140 is an end to women playing any sport.

Get w<u>Outlook</u> for iOS See

Cheryl Michael Monday, March 7, 2022 8:18 AM Senate Education SB140

I am very much in support of this bill. Our girls should not have to compete against boys. Thank you Cheryl Michael

Sent from my iPhone

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Sharon Jone: Monday, March 7, 2022 9:02 AM Senate Education SB140

I fully support the passing of SB140!

From: Sent: To: Cc: Subject: Attachments:

Monday, March 7, 2022 11:17 AM Senate Education Sen. Shelley Hughes SB140 The Even Playing Field Act SB 140.pdf

Good morning.

I am writing in support of SB 140. As a woman who was a member of the military, I can attest to the fact that while there are outliers, there are biological differences between men and women that make it impossible for women to be competitive in sports if we do not respect biological sex. While I break with radical feminism in its current form, I do support women's rights. This current trend to disregard biological sex erodes the great strides forward women's rights, specifically women's sports have made in the last 100 years.

Allowing transgender athletes on sports teams specifically deemed a "women's team" or a "men's team" violates fair play. Men and women can be equal academically, financially, socially, and politically while still being recognized as fundamentally different biologically. This difference is complimentary when embraced and respected. If we refuse to respect it, then we marginalize women everywhere. This will be the new form of sexism where no woman can hope to be competitive in women's sports again. We already seen this happening in college sports.

More concerning than fair play is the concern about all the secondary issues and unintended consequences of not passing SB 140. Again, I refer to my military experiences. I cannot count the number of times myself, or someone I knew, interviewed, MEDEVAC'd as a rape victim, only had relief from assaults, predators and unwanted sexual advances because they had a safe "women's locker room" or "women's bathroom" to hide in. We have already seen this with bathroom policies in schools across this country. Do we think that opening this issue further by adding locker rooms, team rooms, etc. to the list it will get better?

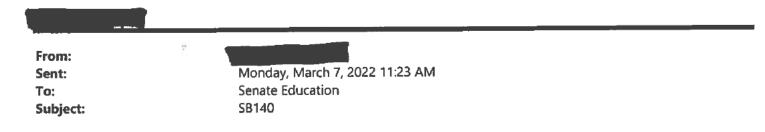
If we erode the fundamental differences between men and women on sports team now, where does it stop? Once we cross this line we cannot go back. In our effort to be inclusive we will not only jump start the erosion of women's rights, but we will open untold numbers of women, children, and men to unwanted and potentially devastating sexual situations that all the inclusivity in the world will not heal.

I ask for support of SB 140.

Thank you.







Dear Madam or Sirs:

I am writing to tell you my support for SB140. A student participating in female designated sports must be a biological female and male designated sports must be a biological male. Please vote YES on SB 140! Thank you,

Alana Davis

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Monday, March 7, 2022 11:26 AM Senate Education SB140

Dear Madam or Sirs:

I am writing to tell you I support SB140.

Please vote YES on SB 140!

Thank you, Lenn Davis



Donna Irsik Monday, March 7, 2022 11:33 AM Senate Education SB140

## I fully and absolutely support SB140!

Please pass SB140 so girls and women in Alaska won't be discriminated against in sports in our schools!

Donna Campbell

Sent from my iPhone

Monday, March 7, 2022 11:50 AM Senate Education; Sen. Shelley Hughes Please support SB 140

Dear Education Committee Good morning 💭 I would like to ask for your support of SB 140.

As a mother of 4 daughters, 3 of which have been and will be in sports, I feel like it's totally unfair to have them competing with boys because they are clearly much stronger then girls. My daughters would not be able to have a chance against them in physical strength and they could even get seriously injured.

Furthermore, often times people who relate with other genders and sexual orientation tend to change their minds and I feel like it's a direct threat and a violation of my daughters' privacy to have biological boys or men sharing locker rooms with them. That actually terrifies me since I myself have been raped and molested when I was younger. By allowing mixed genders together in private places, this activity is a perfect recipe for disaster. Please protect today's girls from having the experiences I've had.

These are the reasons why I'm asking for your support of SB 140.

Thank you and have a blessed day Pamela Samash

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## **Daniel Phelps**

From: Sent: To: Subject: Kelsey Hallford Monday, March 7, 2022 11:54 AM Senate Education SB140

To whom it may concern,

I'm writing to submit my absolute support of SB140. If there weren't such obvious biological advantages that males have over females in the physical arena - then why isn't all sport co-Ed? Is the goal to never have a female stand at the top of the podium? Never earn a gold metal? Never earn a world title? Every sport would be dominated by males. There are obvious biological differences which give males an advantage over females. Yes, some women could conceivably be taller/stronger/faster than a particular male, however those are the exceptions. Although males are statistically/biologically bigger and stronger then females, if you cherry picked a specific male and female with similar statures and training opportunities, the male will still have an advantage because of his biology. There has to be an even playing field to provide opportunities in sport and beyond if we are going to live in society that values equality.

There are biological differences between males/females men/women; we must protect Women's' sports by prohibiting athletes who effectively 'doped' to compete against a different sex. Females, taking testosterone would not be allowed to compete against women if doing it for a competitive edge, it cannot be allowed if they are doing it to undergo a transition. Males with naturally higher testosterone from puberty/biology for the same reason cannot fairly compete in Women's' sports.

**Kelsey Shumway** 

Rebecca Hinsberger Monday, March 7, 2022 12:14 PM Senate Education Support SB 140



Rebecca Hinsberger Kasilof, AK 99610

Sent from Yahoo Mail on Android

Rebecca Hinsberger Monday, March 7, 2022 12:16 PM Sen. Shelley Hughes SB 140

I fully support SB 140 Rebecca Hinsberger Kasilof, AK 99610

Sent from Yahoo Mail on Android

Jackie Monday, March 7, 2022 1:02 PM Senate Education SB140

I support this bill to protect our female athletes from being unfairly discriminated against in our school athletics. Please level the playing field for all girls!!

Jackie Blankenship Wasilla, AK

Sent from Mail for Windows

## **Daniel Phelps**

From: Sent: To: Subject: Kathryn McCollum Monday, March 7, 2022 1:25 PM Senate Education SB 140

I fully support SB 140. Biological males do not belong in girl's sports. Kathy McCollum Wasilla, Alaska

Sent from my iPhone

Kathryn McCollum Monday, March 7, 2022 1:27 PM Sen. Shelley Hughes SB 140

I completely support SB 140. Biological males should not compete against females in sports. Kathy McCollum Wasilla, Alaska

Sent from my iPhone

Patty Heyes Monday, March 7, 2022 2:06 PM Patty Heyes support SB140

Please pass SB140 so that girls and women in Alaska won't be discriminated against in sports in our schools. I fully support this bill.

Patty Heyes

Kodiak, AK 99615



Patty Heyes Monday, March 7, 2022 2:39 PM Sen. Shelley Hughes support SB140

Please pass SB140 so that girls and women in Alaska won't be discriminated against in sports in our schools. I fully support this bill.

Patty Heves

Kodiak, AK 99615

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From:Brenda HastieSent:Monday, March 7, 2022 3:41 PMTo:Senate EducationCc:Sen. Mia Costello; Rep. Sara Rasmussen; Sen. Shelley Hughes; Sen. Roger Holland; Sen.Gary Stevens; Sen. Peter Micciche; Sen. Tom BegichSubject:SB140 | Support

Dear Sirs and Madams,

I am writing to you today in support of SB140.

As a parent of a daughter that played on her high school volleyball and flag football teams, we would like the opportunity for students born female to have the same opportunities afforded my daughter. We are in support of public schools to designate their athletic teams male, female, or co-ed, and a student who participates in an athletic team designated female to be female based on her biological sex. We are also in support of private schools competing against public schools required to be in compliance with the same.

Please pass SB140 to allow thousand of Alaskan women and girls to continue to compete on an even playing field and win fairly in sports.

Thank you for your time and consideration to move this bill forward.

Sincerely,

Brenda Hastie

Anchorage, AK 99502

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Windy Perkins Monday, March 7, 2022 4:57 PM Senate Education Keep girls sports safe

Please keep girls with girls, and boys with boys in sports. Anything else is not fair and certainly not safe. Thank you.

James and Windy Perkins Anchorage, AK residents Parents of 3 young children.

Jesus is the Way, the Truth, and the Life

Cathy Law Monday, March 7, 2022 6:15 PM Sen. Shelley Hughes Pass and support SB140

Please pass SB140 so girls and women in Alaska won't be discriminated against in sports in our schools

Thank you,

Cathy Law Anchorage AK



Jennifer Waller < Monday, March 7, 2022 6:39 PM Sen. Shelley Hughes SB140

"Please pass SB140 so girls and women in Alaska won't be discriminated against in sports in our schools!" Thanks, Jennifer Waller

Sent from my iPhone

David Anderson Monday, March 7, 2022 8:36 PM Sen. Shelley Hughes SB140

As a Alaskan citizen for over 70 years, Mother of four athletes, grandmother of 11 Alaskan students, I urge you to vote a resounding YES for SB 140 The passing of this bill is critical for the health and success of Alaskan girls' sports

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Marilyn Anderson

Anchorage 99502

Sent from my iPad



Peter & Tanya Dickinson Monday, March 7, 2022 10:17 PM Sen. Shelley Hughes; Senate Education SB140

I'm writing you in support of SB140. I have been a coach of Alaska's youth for over 20+ years, both male and female wrestling teams. We have been successful at getting women their our season, weight classes, and competition at the Elementary, Middle school and High school levels around the state. By allowing transgender athletes to pick whatever gender they feel at the time to compete at will only set us back in time, and detract from what we have worked so hard to create for women athletes, equal opportunity for men and women in sports!

Pete Dickinson

Jesse Sumner Monday, March 7, 2022 10:38 PM Sen. Shelley Hughes SB140

Hello,

Concerned lifelong Alaskan and father of two. I vehemently SUPPORT SB140.

Thank you, Maxwell Sumner

# Daniel Phelps

From: Sent: To: Cc: Subject: Roxanne Makamson Monday, March 7, 2022 11:06 PM Senate Education Sen. Shelley Hughes SB140 The Even Playing Field Act

To whom it may concern,

I am writing to support the SB140 The Even Playing Field Act. As a parent of a female athlete, I have watched my daughter grow, become a leader, and promote excellent teamwork in sports and in the classroom. Playing sports is something that she just loves. She is an athlete is several sports, but her main sport is wrestling. At her age of 13, boys have become stronger physically. If boys are allowed in this sport, this state champion will lose confidence in herself as she knows that she will be out strengthened and out muscled. This would end her wrestling career.

Here in Alaska, I have been a part of growing the sport of girls wrestling. This is a sport that has so much potential for our Alaskan girls to wrestle post high school while getting a college education. As a high school female wrestling coach, this sport has proven to build leadership, confidence, and discipline in females. It has also taught girls how to defend themselves. This sport will be demolishEd if males enter the female brackets. This is true in any sport with girls teams.

I support fully Senator Hughes and SB140 The Even Playing Field Act.

Thank you for your time.

Sincerely, Roxanne Makamson Oanin Phelps

From: Sent: To: Subject: AATC Tuesday, March 8, 2022 6:13 AM Sen. Shelley Hughes SB140

I'm writing you in support of SB140.

By allowing transgender athletes to pick whatever gender they feel at the time to compete at will only set us back in time, and detract from what we have worked so hard to create for women athletes: equal opportunity for men and women in sports!

Thank you,

Tanya Dickinson

All American Training Center



Lowell & Vanessa Perry Tuesday, March 8, 2022 7:12 AM Senate Education; Sen. Shelley Hughes Pass SB140

Hello,

Please pass SB140 so girls and women in Alaska won't be discriminated against in sports in our schools!"

Lowell Perry

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Kathy Conn Tuesday, March 8, 2022 7:32 AM Sen. Shelley Hughes SB140

Dear Senator Hughes,

Thank you for your sponsorship of SB140. I am writing in whole-hearted support of SB140 - The Even Playing Field Act. It is crucial that women's/girls' rights be protected and they be allowed to compete in a fair competitive field. Let's honestly "follow the science" that has proven that biological males, regardless of their emotional/mental identity, have a distinct physical advantage over biological females. Ignoring that, for the sake of political correctness, is a giant step backwards in real human rights.

Thank you. Kathy Conn Blessed beyond measure! From: Sent: To:

Subject:

Robbie Nash Tuesday, March 8, 2022 7:37 AM Sen. Shelley Hughes SB140

I fully and absolutely support SB140

Please pass SB140 so girls and women in Alaska Wine be discriminated against in sports in our schools.

Sincerely, Robert W. Nash

Palmer, AK 99645

#### Daniel Phelps

From: Sent: To: Subject: Rob Yundt Tuesday, March 8, 2022 8:00 AM Senate Education; Sen. Shelley Hughes SB140

Good morning,

I'm emailing as an ex professional athlete, a father of 4 daughters & 2 sons (all athletes) & an 18 year coach to youth in Alaska to show my full written support for SB140.

If you have any questions please feel free to contact me anytime on my cell @ 907-232-8340

Respectfully



Robert Yundt Owner/President Robert Yundt Homes LLC





Tammy Bunker Tuesday, March 8, 2022 8:18 AM Sen. Shelley Hughes SB140

Senator Hughes,

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Without a doubt I absolutely FULLY support SB140! It's time to take a stand and protect Alaskan girls and women. Please pass SB140 so they won't be discriminated against in sports and in our schools!!

Thank you

Sincerely,

Tammy Bunker

Sent from my iPad

### **Daniel Phelps**

From: Sent: To: Subject: Lorri Van Diest Monday, March 7, 2022 8:59 PM Senate Education Support of SB140

I support SB140. Girls & women in Alaska should not be discriminated against in sports by biological males.

Lorri Van Diest Palmer, AK

Sent from my iPhone

Bryan and Renee Morris Tuesday, March 8, 2022 10:07 AM Sen. Shelley Hughes SB140

Please pass SB140 so girls and women in Alaska won't be discriminated against in sports in our schools!

Thank you!

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Renee Morris Tuesday, March 8, 2022 10:11 AM Sen. Shelley Hughes SB140

Please pass SB140 so girls and women in Alaska won't be discriminated against in sports in our schools!

Thank you

Morris family

Mike and Gena Cooper Tuesday, March 8, 2022 10:14 AM Sen. Shelley Hughes SB140: Support

Hello,

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I can't believe we are even talking about this with all the supposed feminists out there, but I fully support SB140.

Michael Cooper, Wasilla AK

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Sent from Outlook



Margaret Nelson Tuesday, March 8, 2022 10:20 AM Sen. Roger Holland; Senate Education; Sen. Shelley Hughes Support SB 140

Dear Senate Education Committee:

I am in support of SB 140. While I am sympathetic to the plight of transgender individuals, I do not believe that they should take away from the other women who have worked so hard in sports only to have their life long dreams dashed due to a male turning into a female. The unfair advanage transgender women have over biological women is proven scientifically.

Please approve SB 140. Margaret Nelson

Margaret Nelson

Nick Arnold Tuesday, March 8, 2022 10:28 AM Senate Education; Sen. Shelley Hughes I Support SB140

Hi,

I am writing in full support of SB140. Please pass SB140 so girls and women in Alaska won't be discriminated against in sports in our schools!

Thanks.

Nick Arnold Anchorage, AK

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Penny Rohacek Tuesday, March 8, 2022 10:57 AM Senate Education SB 140

l urge you to support SB 140. It is completely unfair for women/girls to have to compete against men/boys in sports. It doesn't take a genius to see the difference in the size and strength of the two.

Penny Rohacek

Rob Yundt Tuesday, March 8, 2022 11:25 AM tela@wrestlinglikeagirl.org; Sen. Shelley Hughes SB140

Good morning Tela,

Roxanne let me know you had some questions about how this bill may affect how we've been wrestling for years.

Title IX has been in place since the early 70's (1972 | believe?) & this bill should not affect anything that's been in place since then. Truthfully, this bill, if passed without amendments, will help strengthen Title IX in my opinion (right now there is nothing to prevent a boy who "identifies" as a girl from competing in the girls division). I love that girls can compete against boys if they so desire & it should stay that way but I do not believe boys should be able to compete in girls divisions.

I've "CC'd" the Bills Author, Mrs. Shelley Huhges in this thread so you can ask her more specific questions if you'd like.

Thanks again for reaching out, as a father of 4 daughters & long time coach to many young girls I believe strongly it's in the best interest of our girls & society as a whole to protect their right to compete in a fair & even playing field.

Respectfully,



Robert Yundt Owner/President Robert Yundt Homes LLC



Lizzy Tuesday, March 8, 2022 11:28 AM Sen. Shelley Hughes SB140

Please pass SB140 so girls and women in Alaska won't be discriminated against in sports in our schools!"

Andrew Fawcett Tuesday, March 8, 2022 11:46 AM Senate Education Girls

Girls should not be forced to compete against boys, girls should also have all the same rights as boys, a bigger issue to help make things even fit the girls is how about we make sure they have their own coach and program? Girls wrestling is the fastest growing sport in the nation and it saved Olympic wrestling but yet we still have to wrestle under the boys wrestling program at the high school and middle school levels girls need the same rights and privileges as the boys and if you want to stop girls from facing boys in sports I'd start by making sure their program are indeed separated you don't see the boys basketball coach coaching the girls basketball team you don't see the boys baseball coach coaching the soft ball team but yet it's ok for the boys wrestling coach to be over the girls wrestling team ?? Come on get out of here and if you want more numbers you would still need to separate the programs

Sent from my iPhone

Merrilee Rohwer Tuesday, March 8, 2022 1:21 PM Senate Education SB140 Ĩ

Hello,

I strongly support SB140. I believe only biological females should be allowed to participate in female sports.

Thank you for your consideration.

**Merrilee Rohwer** 

Anchorage, Alaska 99511

Dennis Hotchkiss Tuesday, March 8, 2022 1:48 PM Senate Education SB140

To Whom it May Concern,

I strongly support SB140. Please pass SB140 so girls and women in Alaska won't be discriminated against in sports in our schools.

Thank-you!

**Dennis Hotchkiss** 

Palmer, Alaska 99645



Steven Unfreid Tuesday, March 8, 2022 2:00 PM Sen. Shelley Hughes I support SB140!

Shelly,

I fully support bringing sanity back to Alaska as written in your SB140. Women should have the right and opportunity to compete against...wait for it...WOMEN!!!

Thanks for all you do in representing us.

Sincerely, Steven Unfreid Palmer Alaska



Bryan Morris Tuesday, March 8, 2022 2:07 PM Sen. Shelley Hughes SB140

Please pass SB140 so girls and women in Alaska won't be discriminated against in sports in our schools.

King Regards, Bryan Morris

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## Daniel Phelps

From: Sent: To: Subject: RICHARD REDD Tuesday, March 8, 2022 2:16 PM Senate Education SB 140

I am in support of SB 140 to help females in sports be for born females only. Please let's keep girls sports for girls only, not sex changed boys who want to be girls. Thank you. Marilyn Redd

Ruth & Matt Tuesday, March 8, 2022 2:33 PM Sen. Shelley Hughes SB 140

Please pass SB140 so girls and women in Alaska won't be discriminated against in sports in our schools!

Sincerely,

**Ruth Reisterer** 

Jody Peck Tuesday, March 8, 2022 2:38 PM Senate Education; Sen. Shelley Hughes I support SB140-The Even Playing Field Act.

I fully and absolutely support SB140. Please pass SB140 so girls and women in Alaska won't be discriminated against in sports in our schools. It is VERY important to have even playing fields. Thank you,

Jody Peck



C. Mark Bennett Tuesday, March 8, 2022 2:41 PM Sen. Shelley Hughes SB 140

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Dear Sen Hughes,

1 just emailed this following email to the Senate Education Committee. 1 hope this message is a blessing.

Dear Senate Education Committee,

I am writing today to ask you to please support the "Even Playing Field Act," SB140. It is not fair for our young ladies to have to compete against biological males. There is a real biological physical discrepancy between biological males and females that no amount of debate can overcome. It exists no matter what. Our ladies work so hard to do their best. They must compete against biological females or the playing field is not even. Thank you for your time. Sincerely, Andrea Bennett

Eagle River

Trevor Olson Tuesday, March 8, 2022 3:03 PM Sen. Shelley Hughes; Senate Education SB 140

Please pass SB140 so girls and women in Alaska won't be discriminated against in sports in our schools. What is happening in the lower 48 and around the world is ridiculous. Let the ladies compete against ladies as designed by God. Thank you for all you are doing, Trevor

Trevor Olson



Tammy Bunker Tuesday, March 8, 2022 3:45 PM Sen. Shelley Hughes SB140

Dear Senator Hughes,

Without a doubt I fully support SB140. Please pass SB140 to insure that Alaskan girls and women will not be discriminated against in sports and schools! Thank you.

Sincerely,

Dan Bunker

Sent from my iPad

John Alcantra Tuesday, March 8, 2022 3:46 PM Sen. Shelley Hughes Nice Introduction of Rosetta

Hello Senator,

I just wanted to send out a quick Hello and Thank You for your kind introduction of my lovely bride 🕮 🔋! Hope all is going well down in the Capital city? Hang in there and try to finish in 90 or at least 120 days so you can get home. Take care.

John Alcantra Palmer, Alaska

Sent from my iPhone

Francesca A Tuesday, March 8, 2022 4:17 PM Senate Education; Sen. Shelley Hughes Sb 140

I support Sb 140. Protect women's sports. Protect women's rights. Please pass SB140.

Sent from my iPhone

Desiree Hacker Tuesday, March 8, 2022 4:48 PM Senate Education SB140

I'm writing you in support of SB140

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From: Sent: To: Subject: Sylvia Stewart Tuesday, March 8, 2022 5:40 PM Senate Education Support of SB140

Greetings from Wasilla,

I am strongly in favor of SB140-The Even Playing Field Act. We cannot allow discrimination of women and girls in women's sports by allowing biologic males to play against women and girls. School athletic programs need to be protected so women and girls are protected from male-bodied athletes.

Thank you for your time, Sylvia Stewart

Wasilla, AK 99654

Merada Tuesday, March 8, 2022 7:15 PM Sen. Shelley Hughes SB140

I support the passage of SB 140. Its passage is important for girls and women in Alaska so they won't be discriminated against in sports in our schools.

Merada A. Gregory Wasilla, AK

Sent from Mail for Windows

### Daniel Phelps

From: Sent: To: Subject: THOMAS & CORINN GUSSERT Tuesday, March 8, 2022 7:43 PM Senate Education Support SB140!

I absolutely support SB140 - girl's and women's sports must be separate and protected for boy's & men's sports events!

Judy Hollinger Tuesday, March 8, 2022 8:29 PM Senate Education SB140

I fully support SB140 to protect fairness for girls sports Judith A Hollinger

Judy Hollinger Tuesday, March 8, 2022 8:34 PM Senate Education SB140

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I support SB140 to preserve fairness in girls sports Michael J Hollinger

Tuesday, March 8, 2022 8:48 PM Sen. Shelley Hughes Sb140

Hello,

I'm a constituent in your district and have been really pleased with the job you're doing!

I'm sending this email to tell you I support SB140. I am a volleyball coach for both a high school team and a fairly big sized club. (90-120 girls between our comp and developmental program.) I think it's only fair to keep female designated sports to biologically female girls. It is not only an unfair advantage for males to compete in our sport, but the speed and strength that they have, as compared to our girls, could be dangerous due to slower reflexes by some of the girls.

Thank you, Jayme

Ted or Shelly Bryant Tuesday, March 8, 2022 9:10 PM Sen. Shelley Hughes Thank you for SB140

I am writing in support of SB140. As a female athlete, coach and parent of a female athlete, I can see the damage that could be done to the biological female who doesn't get an opportunity to participate because a biological male takes her spot on a team. The great majority of middle school, high school, comp or club teams and college teams only take so many participants on a team. Some people are cut after the program has tryouts. I can't imagine telling a biological female that she did not make the team, because a biological male who identifies as, or is/has transitioned has taken her spot. It is not a matter of dominating a sport, which can happen, it is sacrificing a person's opportunity because of how they were born in favor of a person who chooses how they want to be identified. Athletes should participate on teams that match the gender on their birth certificate, or on co-ed teams.

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I hope for these reasons and many others, that SB 140 passes.

Sincerely, Michele Bryant

Trenitie Yundt Tuesday, March 8, 2022 9:43 PM Sen. Shelley Hughes SB140

To whom it may concern,

I'm writing you in support of SB140. Biological men/boys should not be allowed to compete in girls sports. This would be unfair to all female athletes. I hope you listen to the concerns of all people.

Thank you, Trenitie Yundt

Peter Neuberger Tuesday, March 8, 2022 9:44 PM Senate Education SB140

I fully support SB140. Biological males should not compete against nor take the opportunities of biological females. This is the destruction of Title IX. This matters to me as I am the father of four little girls. Please pass SB140 and protect the sporting opportunities for our daughters. Thank you.

Peter Neuberger Wasilla, AK

Sybille Castro-Curry Wednesday, March 9, 2022 7:51 AM Sen. Shelley Hughes Girls sports

Even Playing Field Act SB140 (protecting girls' and women's sports; male-bodied athletes can compete in co-ed or boys' and men's sports but not on girls' and women's teams).

Please support Girls' and Women's Sport by only letting biological females compete. Anything else is detrimental to female competition. Thank you.

Sybille Castro-Curry Nikiski

## Daniel Phelps

From: Sent: To: Subject: cmosher Wednesday, March 9, 2022 12:50 AM Senate Education To Whom It May Concern, ž

I would like my previous email to be disregarded.

I am in favor of SB140 and would like to see it passed.

Sincerely,

Cathy K Mosher

Sent from my Verizon, Samsung Galaxy smartphone



From: Sent: To: James Smith Wednesday, March 9, 2022 8:23 AM Senate Education

Fully support sb 140

Sent from my iPhone

Edward Barrington Wednesday, March 9, 2022 9:57 AM Senate Education SB140

Dear Committee Members,

I am writing in support of SB140. It is my humble opinion that the full impact of allowing perception of gender and not factual science is a very slippery slope and consequences not fully known. In an effort to not hurt personal feelings and err on the side of "inclusion", the personal hurt to those directly affected, female athletes, many of whom may lose valuable scholarship opportunities. What has happened to "fair play"

Respectfully, Edward Barrington Sent from <u>Mail</u> for Windows

MARY GLAZIER Wednesday, March 9, 2022 10:25 AM Senate Education SB 140

Please note: I FULLY SUPPORT SB 140. Please support our girls sports. Mary Glazier

Sent from my iPhone

Taren Tester Wednesday, March 9, 2022 12:10 PM Sen. Shelley Hughes SB140

Please protect girls and women's divisions and pass SB140. As there is already provisions for coed sports I see no need for biological males to compete against biological females as a rule across the state. Individual cases may occasionally come up and they can be handled individually. Girls and women should have a safe place to compete. Taren Tester

Mary Ann Gilbert Wednesday, March 9, 2022 12:29 PM Senate Education; Sen. Shelley Hughes SB 140 emendation

Senators,

I am writing to express my full support for the amendment of SB 140 presented by Sen. Shelly Hughes for the sake of all female sports competitors in Alaska.

Clearly from recent reports, results of current sports events and the obvious observation of sexual/physical differences, the use of male persons, who have either transgendered or wish to do so, as competitors with women is destructive to both parties -- the young man AND the women who must compete against him.

Please enact this amendment for the benefit of all parties.

Sincerely, Mary Ann Gilbert

andrew davis Wednesday, March 9, 2022 2:43 PM Senate Education; Sen. Shelley Hughes SB140

Protect our girls and pass SB140!

Sent from my iPhone

Jennifer Schmid Wednesday, March 9, 2022 3:03 PM Sen. Shelley Hughes; Senate Education I Support SB104

To Whom It May Concern,

I would like to testify that I FULLY SUPPORT SB104.

In order to be fair while competing in sports, it is important that the playing field be level, otherwise one team could have an advantage over the other. In this case, the same is true if it becomes allowable for the designated team labels to become muddled. An all girls team should compete against an all girls team and at the same time an all boys team should compete against an all girls team is allowed to compete against an all girls team, regardless of how strong the girls team is, there is a disadvantage already. Through puberty, when most sports are played in school, boys naturally develop more muscle mass than girls. If we allow teams to have an advantage over their competitors, then could we still call the game a sport and most importantly, how would the individuals of the losing team feel about themselves knowing they were already at a disadvantage?

Thank you for your time,

Jennifer Schmid



Rebecca Wednesday, March 9, 2022 4:00 PM Senate Education SUPPORT SB140 - The Even Playing Field Act!!

My husband and I fully and absolutely support SB140!!! Please pass SB140 so girls and women in Alaska won't be discriminated against in sports in our schools! Thank you, Rebecca Owens

Wednesday, March 9, 2022 4:16 PM Senate Education; Sen. Shelley Hughes SB140

Thank you Senator Shelley Hughes for SB140.

To any others with Common Sense,

Reasons to support this senate bill could not be more obvious. For this bill to even be necessary should embarrass us all that we are focused on such nonsense when the world is on the brink of extreme chaos. Not passing this bill is the equivalent of legalizing bullying. Go ahead, sign your teenage daughter up to swim or run track but you better be prepared to console her when a teenage man legally wins the competition hands down simply because he is male. Pass The Bill, please!

Sincerely, Sally Pollen Shelley's district

Palmer, Alaska 99645

Jake Libbe) Wednesday, March 9, 2022 5:16 PM Senate Education Vote in favor of SB140

I am writing in support of Senate Bill 140.

That we, as a society, are so insufferably afraid of being called "transphobic" by a few mentally deranged radicals that we will destroy the hopes and dreams of talented, hard-working athletic girls for some ill-conceived and disturbed notion of trans-fairness is as stupid as it is maddening.

Find your courage, or step aside for someone else. This bill is plain old common sense.

The XY chromosome bestows advantages. Follow the science, or cower in fear of the woke mob.

As the Publisher of the Alaska Watchman, you are on notice as legislators. If you vote against this bill I will consider it the opening salvo in <u>your</u> personal war on traditional families, women's sports, as well as teenage and college-age women.

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And I will publish many articles accordingly.



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ATCHMAN

Wednesday, March 9, 2022 8:48 PM Senate Education; Sen. Shelley Hughes SB 140

I support SB 140 The Even Playing Field Act.

Women and girls had fought for equality for decades and finally got it in Title IX.

Males are males, regardless of the length of their hair or the name they choose to call themselves. Males shouldn't be allowed to compete in women's sports as they have a strength advantage that is given by nature and could never be achieved by females. They are stealing women's sports records and scholarships, and beating down our young ladies' self-esteem.

Women's sports are disadvantaged enough as it is.... women's teams are being paid a fraction of what male teams are paid.

Women's sports are not invested in... their teams aren't marketed and training facilities are nowhere as lavish as the men's.

Women don't have equal access to coaching or jobs in the operations or administration of sports.

Sexual harassment and abuse are swept under the rug instead of being investigated and prosecuted.

There are too many threats and disadvantages to females in sports already; allowing males in women's sports should not be one of them.

Lori Horvath

Fairbanks, AK

Wednesday, March 9, 2022 9:04 PM Senate Education; Sen. Shelley Hughes SB 140 The Even Playing Field Act

i support SB 140

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Females shouldn't have to compete against male athletes. Let them do it if they want to in co-ed sports, but don't make them compete against men by allowing males into their sports.

Scott Schueller Fairbanks, AK

Larry Wood Thursday, March 10, 2022 1:36 AM Sen. Shelley Hughes FW: SB140

From: Larry Wood Sent: Thursday, March 10, 2022 1:21 AM To:

<:senator.shelley.hughes@akleg.gov>

':senator.shelley.hughes@akleg.gov'

Shelley, Daniel,

Subject: RE: SB140

I support this bill, it is necessary to protect females.

The following are my observations and comments regarding what should have been included.

I think one distinction that should have been made in the Sponsor's statement, and, maybe even in the bill's verbiage are the biological differences between males and females with respect to muscle mass and lung capacity.

Neither the bill nor the Sponsor's statement addresses the fact of a male's >30% increased upper body muscle mass over females and a male's >20% increased lung capacity over females giving a male an unfair advantage in sports.

The World Ruby Assoc. bars transgendered "women" from playing Ruby against biological

women: https://www.world.rugby/the-game/player-welfare/guidelines/transgender

(Actually, males have a lung capacity of 1.5 pints of air at rest, females .6 to .8

pints: <u>https://centersforrespiratoryhealth.com/blog/lung-capacity-what-does-it-mean/</u>; regarding muscle mass: <u>https://pubmed.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/8477683/</u>)

This advantage cannot be made moot by wishful thinking or even law.

The collegiate and HS record of biological males competing with females is indisputable.

Males win, even mediocre athletes easily destroy their female competitors.

It should be noted that the Y male chromosome does not disappear after hormonal therapy or surgery to 'convert' a male to 'female', ones gender does not change one's biological sex.

A transgender male who is female by birth is still a biological female—one does not gain a Y chromosome during treatment.

Nor does a transgender female who was born a biological male lose the Y chromosome during treatment.

Transgenderism (gender dysphoria) is a temporary mental state in adolescents.

This advantage is alluded to in the Sponsor's statement, but not directly stated.

A lot of people do not think about the male's physical advantages, but will only consider the "fairness" and alleged discrimination imposed upon the transgender female (biological male) by refusing them the opportunity to compete against biological females.

The U of PA's transgender on the women's swimming team has demonstrated the unfairness of a mediocre male athlete competing against females.

Not to mention sexual harassment, because he still biologically a male and has openly sexually harassed his team members and openly solicited sex with them.

He showers and dresses with them.

Heck of a deal if one can get it.

No.

Sexual abuse and idiocy in the face of social and moral conventions, not to mention compromising the safety of females. Sanity needs to be restored.

I did not appreciate the glowing admiration for Title IX.

Title IX opened the door to this type of abuse.

It is time the states shut that door and restored traditional values, morality, family values and social conventions. There is no equity, equality, discrimination, or lack of fairness involved in preventing a male from destroying a girl's ambitions in sports.

Further, stop the female wrestling competition with males.

That is simply stupid.

I wrestled in HS.

Geez.

l guess mommy and daddy like to see their little girl physically abused—where one grabs one's female opponent in wrestling would normally be sexual assault outside of the sport.

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There was a reason why the ancient Greeks barred females competing with males after puberty.

Is there any sanity left in this world?

Again, I do support the bill.

Regards,

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Larry Wood

Palmer, Alaska 99645

Debbie Richards Thursday, March 10, 2022 7:53 AM Senate Education; Sen. Shelley Hughes SB140 - Full Support

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To Whom It May Concern:

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I fully support SB140. I encourage you to pass this bill. Let biological girls in Alaska complete as girls and let biological boys compete as boys.

Thank you, Debbie Richards

Thad Phillips Thursday, March 10, 2022 8:11 AM Senate Education; Sen. Shelley Hughes SB140 - I Support

## Dear Representative:

I fully support SB140. Please pass this bill. I fully agree with this bill as it currently reads. Girls and Boys sports were divided so that one sex would not have unfair advantage over another. A person is born either a girl or a boy. If a person decides later in life to change, that is their decision. Others should not be impacted by the decision of an individual.

Thank you, Thad Phillips

Sid Richards Thursday, March 10, 2022 8:15 AM Senate Education; Sen. Shelley Hughes SB140

To Whom It May Concern:

I fully support SB140. I encourage you to pass this bill. Let biological girls in Alaska complete as girls and let biological boys compete as boys.

Sid Richards

Laurie Clark Thursday, March 10, 2022 8:27 AM Sen. Shelley Hughes Support SB 140

I am in support of SB 140

Please keep our children safe by requiring biological males to be on male teams and biological females to be on female teams. There are so many reasons Our children should not have to be subject to others nonsense in the locker rooms or on the field.

Please support SB 140 Laurie Clark North Pole, Alaska

Sent from my iPad

Mark Hanson Thursday, March 10, 2022 10:04 AM Sen. Shelley Hughes SB 140

I strongly support SB 140. I think it's a disgrace that we even have to defend / explain what is wrong with bio boys competing girls sports

Sent from my iPhone

E Henry Thursday, March 10, 2022 10:18 AM Sen. Shelley Hughes Thank you for SB140

Senator Hughes -

Thank you for your tireless effort to preserve womens sports in the face of unacceptable hijacking. I have emailed your fellow committee members asking that they support SB140.

Respectfully,

Rhonda Stark Palmer

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Colleen Peterson Thursday, March 10, 2022 10:36 AM Senate Education Vote YES on SB 140: "An Act relating to school athletics, recreation, athletic teams, and sports."

I would like to thank Senator Shelly Hughes for introducing SB 140 and for all those that have shown their support for fairness in women's and girls' sports.

By voting YES on this bill you will also be preserving Title IX for generations to come.

I am from the era of Katherine Switzer. She is exactly one month older than I. However, I did not give her much thought after her Boston Marathon

run on April 19, 1967. But then I became a marathon runner and soon realized how much she gave me by being one of running's

most iconic figures. Not just for breaking barriers but for creating positive global social change. She gave me my love of running that I still

enjoy today. Five years after her marathon Title IX was passed, and my daughters were allowed to play softball, basketball, volleyball and run track.

Last Thursday, Iowa became the 11th U.S. state to ban biological males from competing in women's sports.

Many other states have introduced similar bills. As previously stated, allowing biological males to compete in a sport with

women is just not fair. Many athletic girls will lose out on collage scholarships or simply not try out if a biological male is their competitor. Males just

have an overwhelming physical advantage over females in all sports.

Please support SB 140 by voting YES. Give all young girls today, tomorrow and generations to come the ability to enjoy all sports with the fairness they deserve.

Thank you,

Colleen Peterson Wasilla, AK



Thursday, March 10, 2022 11:17 AM Senate Education SB 140 - the Even Playing Field Act

I urge you all to support this bill. I can't believe we have to protect our girls from what is obvious SCIENCE! Not passing this will gut the gains made by our girls with Title IX so please keep the Playing Field Even!

Thank you,

Kenneth Rupp Anchorage 

 From:
 Dixie D. Banner

 Sent:
 Thursday, March 10, 2022 11:25 AM

 To:
 Rep. David Eastman; Rep. Christopher Kurka; Rep. Cathy Tilton; Rep. George Rauscher;

 Subject:
 SB 140 - Protect our Daughters

Protect our Daughters and Granddaughters Thank You!

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Alaska Watchman shared a link.

Dozens of Alaskan coaches, athletes, sports officials and state champions are urging Alaska lawmakers to pass Senate Bill 140 to protect women's sports from genderconfused biological males who demand to compete against girls. SB 140 has a public hearing on Saturday, March 12, at 10 a.m. See below for details on how to testify. https://alaskawatchman.com/2022/03/09/ ak-athletes-coaches-back-bill-to-protectgirls-sports-from-biological-males/



ALASKAWATCHMAN.COM AK athletes, coaches back bill to protect girls' sports from biological males

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CJ Koan Thursday, March 10, 2022 12:01 PM Senate Education SB140 Support

Senate Education Committee Members -

Please support SB140. There is a distinct biological difference between the bodies of males and females - it is science - not discrimination. Allowing transgender females to compete in female sports creates a disadvantage to every FEMALE they compete against. Women have only been allowed to participate in sports for 50 years and are already being hindered. If transgenders are allowed to play in women's sports, it will create many women to drop out or not seek to participate if the field isn't even at the start. This bill allows options for EVERYONE to play fairly.

Please support this bill.

Thank you, CJ Koan Wasilla, AK

river richards Thursday, March 10, 2022 12:55 PM Senate Education; Sen. Shelley Hughes SB140 full support

To whom it may concern:

I fully support SB140. Let biological girls compete as girls in Alaska and biological boys compete as boys in Alaska.

Sincerely River Richards

Sent from my iPhone

Leya DePriest Thursday, March 10, 2022 12:55 PM Sen. Shelley Hughes; Senate Education SB140 - Full Support

I fully support SB140. I encourage you to pass this bill. Let biological girls in Alaska compete as girls and let biological boys compete as boys.

Thank you, Leya

Justin ross Thursday, March 10, 2022 1:00 PM Sen. Shelley Hughes From Justin Mckay

I Support SB 140, please pass this bill!

Ardith Richards Thursday, March 10, 2022 1:30 PM Sen. Shelley Hughes SB140

We are in full support of this Bill

Ardith and Duaine Richards,

,Palmer,So 99645

Larry Casey Thursday, March 10, 2022 1:46 PM Senate Education SB 140

It seems ridiculous to have to lobby for such legislation but apparently this is the age we live in.

I urge you to use common sense and quit listening to the "woke" bullshit that pervades modern politics and sadly has influenced the spineless and easily duped.

Is America stronger now than 50 years ago, safer, and more optimistic about the future? I rest my case.

Vote yes on SB 140

Thank You for your time.

Sincerely,

L. Casey and family

Eva LoForte Thursday, March 10, 2022 1:47 PM Senate Education Gender dysphoria

In the few cases of actual gender unknowns, we need to legislate for the majority.

There is no honest way to allow genetic males to call themselves female .

It is dishonest for a person to tell themselves that and it is dishonest for a society to be caught up in one persons confusion. Let their confusion be personal, not try to legislate society for falsehood. People are not usually that dumb.

Eva LoForte



Victor Marbury Thursday, March 10, 2022 1:48 PM Senate Education Pastor Victor Marbury SB 140 bill

Common sense legislation need.

Sent from my iPad

Mike Gilboy **Service Science (1997)** Thursday, March 10, 2022 1:48 PM Senate Education SB 140

Please vote YES on SB 140.

Girls are losing their right to an equal playing field because they are being forced to compete against biological boys. This is unfair and demands a response -- which is why we need you, as a state policy maker, to take a stand! Please support SB 140 and vote yes to protect women's and girl's sports. SB 140 is similar to what has been introduced in dozens of other states, would preserve Title IX protections for women and girls and guarantee fairness by ensuring that biological boys compete against biological boys and biological girls compete against biological girls. Title IX was enacted in 1972 to stop discrimination and create equal athletic opportunities for women. Allowing biological males to compete against biological females ignores the scientific fact that males have an overwhelming physical advantage over women and girls. They have greater bone density, bigger hearts and lungs, are typically larger, and have more muscle strength. This not only makes the competition unfair, but it also makes many sports physically unsafe for women if they are forced to compete against men. Because of biology, thousands of high school boys can consistently outperform Olympic level women athletes. In fact, in one year 275 high school boys beat the lifetime best record of World Champion Sprinter, Allyson Felix. If the best female athletes in the world can't compete against high school boys, why would we force high school girls to compete against them? A male's belief about his gender doesn't erase his physical advantages over female athletes. We want everyone to have the opportunity to compete in sports and have access to a fair playing field. Competing in sports teaches valuable life lessons and gives kids and young adults confidence, discipline, and perseverance. It's no surprise that 96% of female CEOs competed in sports. We need the Even Playing Field Act in Alaska. Not just for young women today, but also for women in generations to come. We encourage you to act today by voting YES for SB 140 - a bill that addresses this incredibly important public policy matter.

Sincerely, Michael Gilboy

Eagle River AK 99577

Thursday, March 10, 2022 1:49 PM Senate Education SB 140

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We need to support legislation that defends womens sports. You're a biological male, kicking the crap out of females, in sports. Which female athletes thing this is normal? I wouldn't put my young girls in a league with these people, just to get shit on.

Travis

Sent via the Samsung Galaxy S9, an AT&T 5G Evolution capable smartphone

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Thursday, March 10, 2022 1:50 PM Senate Education YES on SB140

the **Even Playing Field Act** Senator Shelley Hughes has introduced that ensures women's athletics programs in public schools are actually reserved for women—not biological men.

Please submit this bill for a vote, it is bill that simply acknowledges the reality that males have an absolute advantage in athletics and females need and deserve space to have fair competition.

Jean Kassube

Anchorage, AK 99507

Grant Jones Thursday, March 10, 2022 1:51 PM Senate Education Vote to support fairness

It's pretty simple; males have an inherent advantage over females in athletic competition. Vote "Yes" on SB140 to keep biological males out of women's sports. To fail to do so simply means the patriarchy wins again.

--Grant Jones Anchorage



Cyndi Saunders Thursday, March 10, 2022 1:53 PM Senate Education SB 140 yes please

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Please vote yes

Have a super grand day, Cyndi 🛞

Sent from my iPhone



John Fleming Thursday, March 10, 2022 2:00 PM Senate Education SB- 140

Dear Senator Stevens,

Boys and girls are gifted with completely different bodies. Regardless of what a person would rather be, the body they were given, is theirs for keeps. Boys should not be permitted to compete against girls in athletic sports just because they wish to be identified as a girl. This transgender movement has gotten out of hand. If transgender boys want to compete fairly in a sport, fine, let's have transgendered boys compete against transgendered boys. That evens the playing field. John C Fleming

Anchorage, AK 99503

Mark and Michele Swensen Thursday, March 10, 2022 2:04 PM Senate Education SB 140

Committee members,

I urge you to vote Yes on SB140. This is just plain common sense and science that protects Women's rights in sports.

Thank you,

Mark Swensen Soldotna, AK

Mary Sims Thursday, March 10, 2022 2:06 PM Senate Education SB 140 Vote YES

Please vote YES on SB 140. It's IMPORTANTto protect women's sports in Alaska. The world has gone crazy but we don't have to in Alaska. Let biological females compete with biological females.

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Thank you, Mary Sims

Big Lake, Ak. 99652

Brian Boyd Thursday, March 10, 2022 2:07 PM Senate Education Yes on SB140

Vote yes on this bill. It shouldn't be necessary that we have to pass bills like these but in todays confused political climate it is necessary to spell out what is and isn't okay. My children in public schools have many liberal activist teachers that would love to add more confusion to our childrens lives. Our kids are misled enough about the idea that everyone that is not straight or white is maligned and needs to be given special access. We are going to have to pass some bills that spell out what should be common sense or we will have to endure more fights down the road. Children are impressionable and are a slave to what their teachers believe. The teachers that aren't preaching trans gender is common and gender is a spectrum, are afraid to speak up. The kids fall in line and that makes a few teachers with liberal activist ideas that are popular in todays media, feel like a majority. I assure you they are not. The more these issues flare up, the more voters will be turned off from liberal candidates. It's in everyone's interest to pass legislation that puts us on a clear path to common sense that is good for everyone. This does not harm students. Believe me it helps students that are confused to see adults that are clear and certain. It is sorely lacking right now. Help the teachers, help those students and help their parents by saying yes to SB140.

Brian Boyd





Laura Thursday, March 10, 2022 2:07 PM Senate Education SB 140

Please vote YES on SB 140 and protect women athletes in Alaska.

My daughter lifts weights, and she is pretty good. But there is no way she can come close to competing against someone who has the biological make-up of a male. To expect her to do so would be unfair and completely unreasonable. This is why women worked so hard to start women's athletics. Please protect what women have worked so hard to achieve.

Thank you, Laura Horning Wasilla, Alaska

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## Daniel Phelps

From: Sent: To: Subject: Debby Thursday, March 10, 2022 2:17 PM Senate Education Fair competition for WOMEN

Please vote to ensure women's athletic programs in public schools are reserved for women, NOT biological men. Males have an absolute advantage in athletics and females need and deserve space to have FAIR COMPETITION !

Thank you Debora Deal



Jill Chadborne Thursday, March 10, 2022 2:25 PM Senate Education YES on SB 140

To the Senate Education Committee:

I am emailing to let you know that I strongly support SB 140, introduced by Senator Shelley Hughes. I am not anti-LGBTQ.

I believe the purpose of SB 140 is to protect the rights of women athletes to fairly compete against their own biological sex and not have to contend against biological males who identify as female, but are bigger, stronger, and have an unfair physical advantage over biologically female athletes.

Biological sex at birth, determined by the genitalia with which one was born, has been the defining determinator of gender since time immorial, and it's the natural result of either the domimant male or female hormonal influences while in utero. THAT is SCIENCE.

Transgender identity, subjective and fluid, which contradicts one's physical genitalia at birth, may be very real in the minds of those who purport it, but should not be the defining factor in athletic competition.

If you're going to make a law that sets the course of future policy, then create a special class in which gender fluid athletes can compete according to their declared gender, as has been the case for male or female sports competitions. But do not throw biological males into a biologically female competition and expect that no one's rights will be violated.

Respectfully,

Jill Chadbourne Palmer, AK

J Korthuis Thursday, March 10, 2022 2:37 PM Sen. Shelley Hughes SB140 Support

Senator Shelley,

I do support the passing of SB140, don't discriminate against biological women/girls in sports. Please represent my choice to support all biological women/girls when voting on this bill.

Thank you for your service to our great State and the MatSu Area!

Joshua Korthuis



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Shelley Arminski Thursday, March 10, 2022 2:40 PM Senate Education Fair competition for Women

Please vote to ensure women's athletic programs in public schools are reserved for women Not biological men.

Males have an absolute advantage in athletics and females need and deserve to have fair competition.

Shelley Arminski

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Spencer Moore Thursday, March 10, 2022 2:42 PM Senate Education Yes on SB140

Senators - Please vote yes on SB140 to protect women's sports. I have two young daughters and would never want them to have to compete against biological males in any athletic contests. It's simply not fair, and it's absurd that it's even a debate.

Thanks,

Spencer Moore



Michael Hughes Thursday, March 10, 2022 3:00 PM Senate Education Women's sports

Please support SB140 which will save women's sports.

Michael Hughes

Eagle River

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DAVE HUPP[ERT Thursday, March 10, 2022 3:01 PM Senate Education SB 140

We support SB 140. Even Martina Navratilova and Caitlin Jenner agree with this bill for Common Sense.

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Ann Pilch Thursday, March 10, 2022 3:01 PM Senate Education SB 140

Please vote yes on SB 140 and protect girls from unfair competition in sports. Thank you! Ann Pilch Anchorage

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Tim Agosti Thursday, March 10, 2022 3:07 PM Senate Education SB140 - DESIGNATE SEX FOR SCHOOL-SPONSORED SPORTS

Dear Committee member,

Don't be fooled by the rhetoric of those against this bill. One cannot change the genetics they were born with. Doctors can change the outside appearance of a person, but cannot change what you were born with on the inside.

Men that think they are women must not be allowed to compete against real women because of this fact. Please support this bill and move it out of committee.

Tim Agosti

Kenai, AK 99611



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Thursday, March 10, 2022 3:07 PM Senate Education SB 140

Please protect women's sports in Alaska. Vote YES on SB 140.

Melinda Osburn

Anchorage, AK. 99502

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From: Sent: To: Warren Fisher Thursday, March 10, 2022 3:15 PM Senate Education

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I support SB140

Thursday, March 10, 2022 3:17 PM Senate Education SB 140 - YES

I am struggling with the notion that I have come to a point in my life where I am finding myself even facing the notion of commenting on legislation such as this SB 140.

That a genetic male has an inherent physical advantage over a genetic female was once considered 'obvious' and 'common sense.' Think about it: There would never even have been Federal Title IX legislation were it not for that simple fact that 'men's sports dominate' the market place of physical achievement by mankind.

I'm not saying that some women can't overcome some men in some sports activities, but on average: Men Dominate. The recent push around the country to allow genetic males to 'identify' as females and then compete in the female arena is patently unfair and unsound policy. It is destructive to the best and brightest of our young women in so very many ways: Physical, emotional, psychological. What the heck are doing in and to our society?

I whole-heartedly urged your support of SB 140 as a means of ending what amounts to a scourge, a stain on the hearts and souls of everyone involved, both the young ladies and the young...um, men involved directly, but also the parents, average citizens, and the taxpayers who idly sit by and watch their dollars and these young lives wasted in a sewer of mediocrity and underachievement.

50 years ago, when Carrol O'Connor and Jean Stapleton lamented:

And you knew who you were then girls were girls and men were men

who would have imagined that we'd have fallen so much further into the abyss?

Damien Stella

Anchorage, AK 99517



Bernadette Bradley Thursday, March 10, 2022 3:30 PM Senate Education Keep competition with biological women.

Please vote yes on SB140.

It makes no sense to me that a man born a man can fairly compete in women's sports because of a sex change. Physically they are still a man, implant breasts, or hormones, no one can change the muscle mass.

It is insane to believe this is inclusive. Let sexes compete with the gender they were born for equality.

Thanks

-Bernadette Bradley

Anchorage, AK 99518 907 223-8533

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kathy clements Thursday, March 10,,2022 3:40 PM Senate Education Males playing woman sports.

Please stop all males from going in womens bathrooms and playing in the girls-womens sports. Weather they claim they are a girl does not give them the right to be in the girls sports because they can't compete with the male groups! We are here to help stop this.

Thank you for all you do! Kathleen Clement's

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Ardith Richards Thursday, March 10, 2022 3:42 PM Senate Education SB140

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My husband nd I r in full support of SB140.Please pass it. Adding Richrdd

## **Daniel Phelps**

From: Sent: To: Subject:

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Thursday, March 10, 2022 3:42 PM Senate Education Please protect women athletes from "trans" competition. Do not infringe on their God given biological rights!

From Pastor Chip Swanson

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Lorne Bailey Thursday, March 10, 2022 3:51 PM Senate Education Please Support SB 140

All players need to play fair. I support the establishment of transgender or co-ed sports teams, men's sports teams, and women's sports teams. Those who identify themselves as the opposite sex from what they were from the beginning should only participate in physical games in transgender teams. This means locker rooms for men, women, & transgender people.

Sincerely Yours, Main Lorne Preston Bailey – Lab Tech/Employment Specialist Nine Star Education & Employment Services

Anchorage, Alaska 99501

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Liberty Thursday, March 10, 2022 4:07 PM Senate Education Please support SB 140

Senate Education,

Please support SB 140.

It's crazy to think that common sense is so far gone that we have to write a bill to protect women from men entering their bathroom. This should be a no-brainer. However, since some don't know their right hand from their left, I encourage you to support SB 140 so the unthinkable doesn't happen.

Sincerely,

**Brian Endle** Palmer Alaska ŧ j. ž 2

## Daniel Phelps

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From: Sent: To: Subject: Eileen Becker Thursday, March 10, 2022 4:35 PM Senate Education SB 140

Please vote YES on senate Bill 140. Protect our girls and the leadership of the future. Sex is determined at birth. Thank you. Dave and Eileen Becker, Homer Ak

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David Frazien Thursday, March 10, 2022 4:37 PM Senate Education Sen. Elvi Gray-Jackson; Rep. Harriet Drummond SB140

I support SB140. It is fair and ethical. Let's be honest and support the majority.

David Frazier 2636 Shepherdia Dr 99508

Jim Durand Thursday, March 10, 2022 4:48 PM Senate Education Motorcyclist set record ...

identifying as a bicycle.

The confusion brought with "trans" issues must be kept out of sports. Of course where gender gives no advantage, we should not care. Maybe create some kind of open class for some sports.

Thanks

Jim Durand Anchorage 99515

John Mielke Thursday, March 10, 2022 4:54 PM Senate Education Bill in consideration

I just want to say that women sports should be just that. Because a man identifies as a woman doesn't change the fact that he is a biological male

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Casey

Thursday, March 10, 2022 5:01 PM Senate Education Sen. Shelley Hughes SB 140

Please support SB 140. I do. Protect women's sports.

Casey Campbell

Wasilla, Alaska 99654

It's no longer debatable, the Anti-Federalists were right.



Jim Stock Thursday, March 10, 2022 5:23 PM Senate Education Sen. Shelley Hughes SB: 140 support

My family and I fully support SB 140

Personally, since they are unsure of their gender or wish to take advantage of another gender, they should create a"LGBT league" status and be barred from the male / female sports exclusively .

Jim Stocker and family

Palmer, Alaska

Don Meierhoff Thursday, March 10, 2022 5:26 PM Senate Education Support SB 140

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# **Daniel Phelps**

From: Sent: To: Subject:

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Dennis Morris Thursday, March 10, 2022 5:32 PM Senate Education SB 140

Only biological women should ever compete in women's sports.

Dennis & Bette Morris

Wasilla, AK 99654

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Thursday, March 10, 2022 5:44 PM Senate Education YES ON 140

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John Hawkins Thursday, March 10, 2022 5:58 PM Senate Education SB140

Please vote YES on this important protection of women's sports!

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John Hawkins Anchorage AK From:Richard HellerSent:Thursday, March 10, 2022 6:11 PMTo:Sen. Roger Holland; Sen. Gary Stevens; Sen. Shelley Hughes; Sen. Peter Micciche; Sen.<br/>Tom BegichCc:rheller@mtaonline.netSubject:Support of SB140

Yall,

I am in support of SB140, because when archeologist dig up our bones, 100 years from now, a man is still a man and a women is still a women, REGARDLESS of what you FEEL or THINK you are.

Yall need to pray openly so we know who the enemies are. Our fore fathers believed in God and wrote about Him and prayed TOGETHER, OPENLY, when they were together.

When was the last time yall did this????

Lets go!

God's in charge!!

Richard Heller Butte, AK

Sent from my Verizon, Samsung Galaxy smartphone

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Thursday, March 10, 2022 6:12 PM Senate Education SB 140

Please vote Yes on SB 140. It is just common sense. Women should not have to compete on the sports field with men.

renee Saunders Thursday, March 10, 2022 6:17 PM Senate Education SB 140

In fairness to women and girls, please support SB 140.

Renee Saunders, Wasilla



Virginia Kristiansen Thursday, March 10, 2022 6:18 PM Senate Education Women's Sports

We cannot change genetics!! It is not fair to have women compete on the same field with transexuals! The still have stronger muscles than women and a stronger heart. It is not fair to women. Virginia Kristiansen

Daphne Hofschulte Thursday, March 10, 2022 6:25 PM Senate Education SB 140

Please vote YES on <u>SB 140</u>. We cannot advance rights of transgender students at the expense of the rights of biological girls when it comes to something as physical as sports.

Thank you, Daphne Hofschulte

North Pole AK 99705

Gwen Hufford Thursday, March 10, 2022 6:27 PM Senate Education Men competing as women in women's sports

To all on the Senate education committee:

Please honor and respect biological women by not forcing them to compete with biological men who have a tremendous physical advantage over biological women so that there is no fair competition for women who compete to win.

Sent from my iPhone

Connie Schnicke, Thursday, March 10, 2022 6:43 PM Senate Education SB 140

I'm asking you to please Vote YES on SB 140. Having boys & men competing against biological females is totally wrong!! Males are stronger than females, have a larger lung capacity, This is discrimination against girls and women. They would not be treated fairly in athletic programs compared to male bodied athletes.

If you think this is an "anti-LGBTQ" bill, two of the greatest athletes of all time, <u>Martina Navratilova</u>, an openly lesbian tennis legend and gay rights activist as well as <u>Caitlyn Jenner</u>, formerly Bruce Jenner, an Olympic gold medalist in the Decathlon, have both come out in full support of common sense legislation like SB 140.

Thank you for listening to what I have to say. I hope you will please bring this up for a vote and vote yes for SB 140.

Sincerely, Constance Schnicke Soldotna AK 99669

mark slama Thursday, March 10, 2022 6:49 PM Senate Education SB 140

This is a no brainer. It's okay to use common sense. Please support SB140 and keep boys away from girls sports.

Mark Slama

Anchorage, AK 99507

| From:<br>Sent:<br>To:<br>Subject: | ł | Bobbi<br>Thursday, March 10, 2022 7:04 PM<br>Senate Education<br>SB140 |  |
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Dear Senate Education Committee,

I whole heartedly support SB140! Women have fought long and hard for equality not only in the work place, but in the field of sports. It is not right, nor is it fair for biological men to enter the female sports arena. It is a known scientific fact that biological men have a different genetic makeup and body build that make them stronger and faster than women. Hormone suppression does not level the playing field 100% and make biological men into women equally. If transgender females are allowed to enter the women's sports arena then you are suppressing those women who have worked hard to be the best in their sport. Ask yourself why is it that men's sports are not complaining about transgender men entering their arena? It's because transgender men pose no threat to dominating men's sports.

This goes hand in hand with the bathroom/locker room issue. It is not right for biological males to be entering female bathrooms and locker rooms in our public schools or public athletic facilities. You are endangering young girls and women's safety. Just look at what happened at Loudoun County High School? This is not an isolated incident. It scares me to think of young school aged girls showering and getting dressed in a women's swimming pool locker room to witness a transgender female that has not been surgically altered sporting their "package" and staring at them as they showered and got dressed. This is a very disturbing scenario and one that can easily become a reality.

Please protect women's sports by passing SB140 and consider protecting women's bathrooms and locker rooms too.

Sincerely, Bobbi Epperly

Juneau, AK 99803

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Gary Sanders Thursday, March 10, 2022 7:05 PM Senate Education SB 140

Please vote YES on this important bill to protect women in sports. Biological women should be playing and competing with women, not men who declare themselves women.

Sincerely Gary & Lynda Sanders

Sent from my iPhone

Cecil N. Purrington Thursday, March 10, 2022 7:07 PM Senate Education SB 140

Dear Esteemed Committee,

As a father of three girls and grandfather of nine granddaughters, I strongly support SB 140, the Even Playing Field Act, which was introduced by Senator Shelley Hughes. My daughters were athletes in soccer and flag football. My granddaughters are playing soccer, softball, cross-country, and flag football. Please give these girls, and all girls (and women) of Alaska, a fair playing field where they compete only against true female athletes. It is a well known fact that athletes born as males are stronger and faster. I do not mind when competition is coed. However, girls and women deserve to to compete fairly against their own kind. Please support SB 140, the Even Playing Field Act.

Thank you, Cecil N. Purrington

Anchorage, AK 99516-2888

Daphni Ryan Thursday, March 10, 2022 7:12 PM Sen. Shelley Hughes SB 140

### Dear Shelley

Thank you for sponsoring Senate Bill 140! This is such an important topic to settle BEFORE it really becomes a problem in Alaska. As a long time athlete and a mother of four amazing girls and one fantastic son I know the importance of making clarifications like this one. And while I'm sensitive to how others may think and feel I also understand how disappointing and heartbreaking it can be for a female to work so hard only to come second to someone who is biologically male. If biologically male athletes are allowed to compete against, and with, biologically female athletes those females will no doubt be disheartened and their desire to participate in these healthy and worthwhile activities will diminish and even disappear. In order to have a strong future of female athletes and sports in Alaska this bill needs to pass! Please continue to fight against the discrimination of female athletes in Alaska!

Sincerely Daphni Ryan Palmer, Alaska

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### Daniel Phelps

From: Sent: To: Subject: James Preston Thursday, March 10, 2022 7:13 PM Senate Education SB 140

Dear Senators: My husband & I fully support the passage of this important SB 140 to become LAW in our great state of ALASKA! We appreciate your representing our strong feelings in this matter.

Sincerely, James & Janice Preston

John Doak Thursday, March 10, 2022 7:17 PM Sen. Shelley Hughes SB140

Dear Shelley,

Please drive forward with SB140. This bill will protect the integrity of our school sports. I support this effort wholeheartedly. I pray that it becomes established in our state.

John Doak

Palmer, AK 99645

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From: Sent: To: Subject: John Rathbun Thursday, March 10, 2022 7:34 PM Sen. Shelley Hughes SB140

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Please support SB 140. Protect the children.

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John Rathbun

Finn Rye Thursday, March 10, 2022 7:37 PM Senate Education; Sen. Shelley Hughes I Support SB140 (The Even Playing Field Act)

I support SB140 because I support women.

I believe it is selfish and wrong for trans women(men) to dominate sports. If gender truly is irrelevant, then the world would make all sports gender-neutral including the World Cup, the Olympics, Boston Marathon, and so forth. Natural (Cis) women would never be able to win the top awards in any of these areas ever again. Everyone knows this but many are afraid to admit it. This isn't right and isn't fair to young girls and women who work so hard to excel and to ultimately desire first place. How many of the young women in Penn State swimming wanted to and could have won first, second, or third place but just missed out because of this unfair advantage the male body had in competition?

This not about being anti-transgender. We are to love our neighbor, all our neighbors. But we must also tell the truth.

Joanna Harper, Sports physicist, PhD Researcher, also a transgender athlete, who has advised the International Olympic Committee (IOC) and other sporting bodies on gender and sports says "There's absolutely no question in my mind that trans women (men) will maintain strength advantages over cis women, even after hormone therapy. (webmd)

Reference: https://www.webmd.com/fitness-exercise/news/20210715/do-trans-women-athletes-have-advantages

Finn Rye

Palmer, Alaska

Kim Swanson Thursday, March 10, 2022 8:05 PM Senate Education Even Playing Field Act

#### Dear Senators,

I am writing in support of SB 140. My junior high and senior high school years were spent on a number of playing fields and venues. Track and field, softball, volleyball and gymnastics provided tremendous opportunities for me to stay in shape, learn sportsmanship and develop teamwork and leadership. At that point in time, we had an even playing field. The young women I competed with and against had the same biological makeup that I did. There were many more naturally talented than I was and some just worked harder or had better training than I did. However, we ladies were on an apples to apples comparison. It just floors me that logical people would think that men should have the right to come into woman's sports and just take over and in numerous cases eliminate the chances of biological women to win in a sport that they have practiced and refined. The scholarship opportunities for women have been seriously impacted and that is an atrocity. Equal rights for women used to be a good thing. Now the progress that has been made on behalf of women is disintegrating. Biological men are taking advantage of women's sports because they can't make it to the top of their sport while competing against their biological counterparts. It is a dishonest way to win and totally disenfranchises the very nature of sportsmanship, integrity, leadership and teamwork. Enough is enough. I urge you all to vote to move this bill forward quickly and efficiently.

Sincerely,

Kim Swanson

Sent from my iPhone

Carol Anderson Thursday, March 10, 2022 8:10 PM Senate Education SB140

I heartily support SB 140, endorsing it fully. I was born in Seldovia, & am a lifelong Alaskan.

Carol Anderson

Nikiski, Alaska 99635

Sent from my iPad

Greg Brooker Thursday, March 10, 2022 8:13 PM Sen. Shelley Hughes SB 140

Go Shelly Go!!

Men should not be allowed to compete with girls in any sporting capacity in which the measure of excellence is the relative physical capacity of the competitors.

Male anatomy – even those who don't want to be male anymore – is stronger, larger and superior in strength to female anatomy.

Not an opinion, just a FACT.

If those who wish to deny the gift that God gave them in order to be a male femme or vice versa, they should compete against others with the same mindset and leave the normal men and women their respective competitions. [Along the same lines, those who would deny their sex in favor of whatever alternative, should also not be allowed to use locker rooms or rest rooms assigned to normal men and women – they should be assigned their own facilities where they can play their fantasies together.]

Greg Brooker Wasilla

p.s. The term "Normal" as used in my statement is what I mean.

Jim Jolin Thursday, March 10, 2022 8:29 PM Senate Education SB 140

I'm asking you to vote yes on SB 140 to protect the integrity of women's sports. A male identifying as a female still brings many physiological advantages to the sport. Simply lowering testosterone levels does not equate to an even playing field.

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Thank you. Patricia Jolin

Sandi Fredrickson Thursday, March 10, 2022 9:04 PM Senate Education Yes on SB 140

Having had two daughters who played basketball growing up and in college, I believe it is important to keep biological females playing biological females. Biological males have an advantage in many sports due to their different physical characteristics.

Please allow our biological girls to continue to play against other biological girls! Thank you, Sandi Fredrickson RN

Anchorage, AK 99515

Sent from my iPhone



Jeffrey Venzke Thursday, March 10, 2022 9:07 PM Sen. Shelley Hughes SB140-Full Support

To Whom It May Concern:

I fully support SB140. I encourage you to pass this bill. Let biological girls in Alaska compete as girls and let biological boys compete as boys.

Thank you,

Jeffrey Venzke

Courtney LC Everard Thursday, March 10, 2022 9:10 PM Senate Education Yes on SB 140

Please vote Yes on SB 140, the Even Playing Field Act, to protect women's athletics. We need to acknowledge that biological males have an advantage over biological females in athletics, and female athletes need and deserve a space to have fair competition. We have struggled for years to provide equal opportunities for females in situations such as legal rights and in their careers, and allowing biological males to now compete with biological females diminishes everything we have worked toward; it takes away opportunities from females for future prospects and tells them that it's okay to allow males to step over them even in their own athletic fields.

Please vote Yes on SB 140. Respectfully, Courtney Everard

Perry Schneider Thursday, March 10, 2022 9:16 PM Senate Education SB 140

Please vote "YES" on SB 140. It is patently unfair and prejudicial to allow BIOLOGICAL MEN to compete against BIOLOGICAL WOMEN. Just because a man says he's a woman doesn't make it so. It should be obvious to even an uneducated, non-scientific person that males and females are built extremely different from one another both in muscularity and body size — not to mention hormonal makeup.

I am very concerned about what is happening to this society. There seems to be a fundamental breakdown in reality.

Again, please vote "yes."

Barbara Schneider

DAVID KINGSLAND Thursday, March 10, 2022 9:18 PM Senate Education Follow the science

Girls deserve an equal paying field in sports. Biology tells use that males have approximately 30% more muscle mass than females. Just because some males may identify as female does not change that fact. Women have fought a long time for equal rights, Title IX was supposed to insure that, but now they have to compete with biological males? That is not right. Please respect Alaskan females and keep female sports for females.

John MARRERO Thursday, March 10, 2022 9:19 PM Senate Education Sb 140

To the members of the committee,

Please support the right of natural born women and girls to complete fairly against one another. Wether they are white, black, Hispanic or Asian, lesbian or straight; they deserve the opportunity to have a biologically balanced field of competition. It is scientifically factual that when biologically born males go through puberty, most have physical advantages over most natural born females when it comes to sports and competition based on physical attributes. We have come so far to give our natural born daughters equal access and opportunity and it seems now that is being taken away by biologically born men/boys who could not compete at a high level against their own, naturally born biological gender.

Thanks, John Marrero

Anchorage, AK

Sent from my iPhone

Christine D Thursday, March 10, 2022 9:44 PM Senate Education Support the Alaska Even Playing Field Act – SB 140

As a former high school girls tennis and basketball player, I'm shocked that our girls in the state of Alaska are having to compete against biological boys and anyone thinks this is fair. It is not fair and it's why I'm asking you to support SB 140 – the Even Playing Field Act - to protect girls' sports.

It is scientific fact that biological males have greater bone density, bigger hearts and lungs, and have more muscle strength than biological females. If you stand aside and allow biological men to compete in girls' and women's sports in Alaska, you are showing a hatred of our girls and women, whether you do this consciously or not. I ask you to open your eyes to the truth before you. Vote yes on SB 140 and keep girls' and women's sports safe and fair for our girls and women here in Alaska.

Sincerely, Christine Davis North Pole, AK 99705

Florie Wilcoxson Thursday, March 10, 2022 10:03 PM Senate Education Support SB 140

The passage of SB 140 is essential to ensure equal athletic competition opportunities for girls and women. It is important that biological female athletes compete only against biological female athletes. Biological male athletes, regardless of gender identity, have multiple physical advantages which are not neutralized by testosterone reduction treatment. It is unfair and unsafe for girls and women athletes to be expected to compete against a male-bodied athlete with any hopes of winning.

Sports competitions should be separated by biological sex. To follow the current course of male-bodied competitors taking the top places in female sports, means the death of women's sports as they were intended to be.

Please support SB 140. Thank you, David and Florie Wilcoxson Fairbanks, Alaska

Beth Farnstrom Thursday, March 10, 2022 10:04 PM Senate Education Support SB 140

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Dear Members of the Senate Education Committee,

To keep an even playing field, whatever sex someone is born as, should be the sex they compete against. Hormone therapy is not enough to make the sexes equal.

I support SB 140.

Beth Farnstrom, RN Anchorage

Sent from my iPhone

Dennis Deering Thursday, March 10, 2022 10:19 PM Sen. Shelley Hughes Please Vote "Yes" on SB 140 to Protect Girls' Sports!

Dear Senator Hughes,

I am writing to ask you to vote "Yes" on SB 140. The bill ensures female athletes and their hard-won right to compete on a level playing field are protected.

Biological males should not be allowed to compete athletically against girls and women based on their subjective feelings of gender identity. Allowing them to do so would put female athletes' safety and scholarships at risk. Males retain many biological advantages even after hormone therapy, especially following puberty. Alaska's girls and women deserve to compete on a level playing field.

SB 140 protects K-12 girls' sports. That's why I'm asking you to please vote "Yes" and protect the opportunity and safety of our girls in sports.

For our girls,

Sincerely,

**Dennis Deering** 

Palmer, AK 99645

Rachel Radford Thursday, March 10, 2022 10:28 PM Senate Education SB 140

Dear Senators,

I am writing in support of the Even Playing Field Act. A person who is born a biological male has different sports abilities than a person who is born a biological female. It creates an unfair advantage for biological males who identify as a female. This means that biological females are losing rights as women in sports. In a sports setting, the field needs to be even in this regard, so that biological women can have their moments to shine.

Sincerely,

Rachel Radford Wasilla, AK



Cathy Medland Thursday, March 10, 2022 11:52 PM Senate Education Please protect women's sports!

To whom it concerns:

As a woman, former military nurse, and an athlete, I totally support SB-150, and earnestly hope you will too. To not support this would be a HUGE disservice to female athletes all over Alaska, over something that simply does not pass "the common sense test".

As noted plainly in the bill, men will always have physical advantages over women...it's the way God intended, and it's not a bad thing, unless there are biological men who want to be women. No matter what they do (surgery, hormones, etc.), every cell in their body says they are males, and that cannot change.

I love competing against men in my favorite sport of volleyball. However, I will never be able to hit the ball harder than most men, no matter how much I lift weights, run, hit the gym, etc. It's just the way it is, whether I fight it, or accept it. (Much like once born a man, always a man, and vice versa for women)!

If transgenders wish to compete in sports, that's awesome! Transgender males can compete against others in that category, and same with transgender females...the playing fields would be fair & even, and biological women's sports would be as well.

Funny how you don't hear much of biological females (transgender men) wanting to compete against biological men in sports...why? The answer should be obvious, and explains why it shouldn't be allowed the other way around.

Thanks for your time, and let's lift Alaska sports to where they are truly fair to all, by passing SB-150.

Sincerely, Catherine Medland RN, MSN, CEN

Sent from my iPhone

Cathy Medland Thursday, March 10, 2022 11:55 PM Senate Education Please protect women's sports

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PS. I apologize... my letter should have been to support SB 140, not 150...my error.

Please correct, thanks!

**Catherine Medland** 

From: Sent: To: Cc: Subject: Attachments: Michelle Martin Friday, March 11, 2022 3:30 AM Rep. Chris Tuck; Sen. Shelley Hughes Womenfirst SB 140: Testimony in Support AK SB140 Testimony Support.docx

Dear Sen. Hughes and Rep. Tuck,

I am a resident of Anchorage, Alaska, and a signatory to <u>WDI's Declaration on Women's Sex-Based Rights</u>. Attached is my written Testimony in support of SB 140.

Sincerely, Michelle Martin Women's Declaration International

### Testimony of Michelle Martin

Before the Senate Education Committee S.B. 140

# SUPPORT

#### March 10, 2022

Thank you, Senator Hughes and Representative Tuck, for allowing me the opportunity to provide written testimony in support of S.B. 140. My name is Michelle Martin, and I am a resident of Anchorage, Alaska, and a signatory to the Declaration on Women's Sex-Based Rights.

Women's Declaration International (WDI) is a global nonpartisan group of volunteer women dedicated to protecting women's sex-based rights. Our volunteers include academics, writers, organizers, activists, lawyers, and health practitioners. The Declaration on Women's Sex Based Rights was created by the founders of WDI to lobby nations to maintain language protecting women and girls on the basis of sex rather than "gender" or "gender identity." By "sex" we mean the differentiation between male and female, determined by whether an X-bearing sperm or a Y-bearing sperm fertilized the X-bearing ovum, which determines the type of sexual and reproductive organs that develop, and the biological differences between females and males. The Declaration re-affirms women and girls' sex-based rights and challenges the discrimination we experience from the replacement of the category of sex with that of "gender identity."

My interest in the legislation before you, S.B. 140, is based upon Article 7 of our Declaration, "Reaffirming women's rights to the same opportunities as men to participate actively in sports and physical education." This is in keeping with Article 10 (g) of the United Nations Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination Against Women, which provides that Parties shall ensure "[t]he same Opportunities to participate actively in sports and physical education" for girls and women as for boys and men.

Article 7 of our Declaration is consistent with Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972, which states that "No person in the United States shall, on the basis of sex, be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be subjected to discrimination under any education program or activity receiving Federal financial assistance," further specifying in Section 106.41 (b) of its implementation regulations that "a recipient may operate or sponsor separate teams for members of each sex where selection for such teams is based upon competitive skill or the activity involved is a contact sport."

In recent years, there has been an incursion of men and boys into women's and girls' athletic competitions on the basis of so-called "gender identity," a linguistic mechanism by which men and boys claim the identity of women and girls. This claim has no basis in material reality and is contrary to Article 1 of WDI's Declaration on Women's Sex-Based Rights, which states that "the inclusion of men who claim to have a female 'gender identity' into the category of women in law, policies and practice constitutes discrimination against women by impairing the recognition of women's sex-based human rights."

WDI USA maintains that the provision of single-sex sports is necessary if women and girls are to have opportunities that are on a par with those of men and boys. As Eric Vilain, a professor of human genetics at UCLA and consultant to the IOC medical commission has <u>noted</u>, "We separate men and women into categories because we want women to be able to win some competitions. There is a 10 to 12% difference between male and female athletic performance." Significant differences in the average bone density, heart size, lung volume, hemoglobin levels, and muscle development of men and women, among other physical differences, result in men being able to generate higher speed and power during physical activity. Even after two years of testosterone suppression, males <u>retain physical advantage over females</u>, especially when it comes to speed.

Girls' ability to compete fairly in athletics matter in concrete, material ways. Participation in high school athletics is the basis upon which athletes are recruited onto college teams, and girls and young women often depend upon participation in athletics to be eligible for scholarships. If males are permitted to compete in female sports, there is a likelihood that top spots will go to boys. A current example is Lia Thomas, formerly known as Will Thomas, an NCAA Division I swimmer who attends the University of Pennsylvania. While on the men's team, Thomas was a middling athlete, who never came close to a school record, but now holds four freestyle women's school records, and by wide margins. As noted in the letter Thomas's teammate's wrote to Penn officials, he reportedly went from #462 to in the men's competition, to #1 in the women's competing and achievements in such a short amount of time suggests it is due to Thomas competing against women instead of other males, not an improvement in Thomas's ability. Women and girls cannot overcome the inherent physiological advantages that males have by "training harder."

If sex segregation in sports continues to be eroded, more and more women and girls will lose their spots on teams and podiums to males. This is in direct opposition to Title IX, legislation created to ensure that girls and women have equal opportunities in education. By passing S.B. 140, Alaska would guarantee the sex-based rights of women and girls and ensure fairness for all student athletes.

Michelle Martin

Jackie Musgrave Friday, March 11, 2022 5:31 AM Senate Education SB 140

Hello,

I am writing to urge you to support SB 140. Transgender women should NOT be competing against cisgender women. Like it or not, their physical makeup is still male, which gives them an unfair advantage.

Identifying as something different from one's birth gender is currently a popular thing, but it is not fair to insert biological men into women's sports. Doing so effectively makes them coed sports, and denigrates cisgender women. Please make the right choice and vote YES on SB 140.

Respectfully, Jackie Musgrave Anchorage

Pat & Judy Cook Friday, March 11, 2022 6:12 AM Senate Education SB 140

As a retired teacher, a long-time resident of Alaska, and a woman, I am quite concerned that we in Alaska protect the integrity of women's sports for the girls and women who work hard to compete and deserve a level playing field. When I was in high school, we did not have women's sports as the girls do now, so we didn't have the opportunities they have. Allowing biological males to compete with biological females is not fair or appropriate and will destroy the sports for biological girls and women. Please support this commonsense legislation.

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Thank you, Judith Cook Anchorage

Friday, March 11, 2022 6:24 AM Senate Education Girls Sports

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Girls sports should be for girls only! Please vote to protect our girls sports.

<u>Linda Hill</u>

Anchorage, AK 99515

Sent from my iPad

Edna DeVries Friday, March 11, 2022 6:34 AM Senate Education SB 140

I support. SB 140.

Sent from Yahoo Mail on Android

maureen klump Friday, March 11, 2022 7:40 AM Senate Education Protect fairness in girls sports

As a mom who was involved with her daughter's sports, I agree girls should not have to compete with biological males whom are usually much stronger and faster naturally. Thank you.

Ken Kincaid Friday, March 11, 2022 8:22 AM Sen. Shelley Hughes I fully support SB140!

To Whom It May Concern:

Please pass SB140! I fully support this bill. If our representatives do not support this bill, they are discriminating against all women, athletes or not. If our representatives cannot recognize what a five year old child already knows or what science has proven to be the unequivocal truth that there are 2 (two) genders in the human population, then they should not presume to represent the vast majority of people. Social agendas and placating fringe political figures has no place here! Protect all women and girls by voting in favor of this bill.

Standing for Truth,

Beth Kincaid Palmer, Alaska

Friday, March 11, 2022 8:30 AM Senate Education YES ON SB 140

YES ON SB 140

Ron Kruckenberg

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From: Sent: To: Subject: Benjamin Hunt Friday, March 11, 2022 11:01 AM Senate Education Protecting Girls Sports - SB 140

Greetings,

I strongly support SB 140 to protect girls sports from biological males. This is just plain common sense on an issue that some are working so hard to confuse. Be bold enough to call a spade a spade. Thank you.

Active Voter,

Benjamin D.Hunt

North Pole, AK 99705

From: Sent: To: Subject: Matt Carey Friday, March 11, 2022 11:11 AM Senate Education SB 140

I'm writing in support of SB 140. Forcing females to compete with males is unfair and will only serve to destroy women's sports. It deprives young women of scholarships, accolades for their hard work, and motivation to participate in sports.

Whatever one may choose call a man who believes he is a woman, his body and athletic ability are male, not female. His muscle mass, bone density, lung capacity and circulatory system give him an unfair advantage over females.

Please protect women's sports programs by supporting SB 140.

Matt Carey

From: Sent: To: Subject:

Friday, March 11, 2022 11:12 AM Senate Education SB 140

I am in support of SB 140. Why are we letting the very small minority of transgender "women" rule over the majority of real women? Thank you to Senator Hughes for standing up for what's right!

Respectfully, Vicki Herman

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From: Sent: To: Subject: Donna Celia Friday, March 11, 2022 11:18 AM Senate Education Protect womens sports

Men are not women.

Men have their own sports. Like it or not, the highest performing female athletes will always be inferior to the highest performing male athletes.

Men and boys who claim to be women have a problem. We should not be obligated to participate in their delusion.

Women and girls need female-only private spaces to shower and dress for athletic activities. This is to protect their safety and their modesty. We should not be forced to be looked upon by "women with penises" nor to look upon "another woman's penis." Only men/boys have penises. Full stop. They don't belong in women's locker rooms.

There's a right way and a wrong way to make trans people "comfortable" in society. Making exceptions for them at the expense of the safety and security of all other women and girls is NOT the way to do it.

Letting trans people (men) compete in women's sports erases women from sports. In fact, it erases women from everything. While I'm sure it's true women can do almost anything a man can do, women are biologically different from men. Women make babies and have uteruses and vulvas. They have less bone density and smaller muscles. Their pelvises, crania, and femurs are shaped differently from males. Their bodies are designed for a unique kind of awesomeness. Not "less than" but special. No wonder some men want to be women. We're amazing! But they can never be us. No matter how many appendages they cut off. Why do I even have to write this to you? This is science. It's a subject that's been around for quite some time called Human Biology. It's the basis for Modern Medicine. So, there's not much room to dispute this, even if it ruffles some people up to accept a simple fact of life. Science doesn't really care about a trans person's feelings.

Some men are perverts and they want an excuse to go for a "look-see" or worse. Do you think it's fair that I need to worry about that, on behalf of myself and my daughters? How about the reverse on behalf of my sons? How will your rule protects girls like the one that was raped by a repeat high-school-aged sex offender in Laudon County Virginia? That boy, who liked to wear skirts and pee in the girls bathroom was convicted for TWO rapes. That incident was far away, but not any more. You are making it possible, right here, in our schools if you fail to protect womens' and girls' sports.

I thought we were supposed to "believe" in science these days. But the trans ideology is not science at all. It denies fundamental observable facts, and politicizes the "belief" in its ideology as "science." Really, it's a bully tactic and it's completely intolerable.

Put a stop to this nonsense now and prohibit biological males from participating in women's sports.

Thank you,

Donna Celia

From: Sent: To: Subject:

nicole carey Friday, March 11, 2022 11:23 AM Senate Education Womens sports

As the mother of two young women who played sports all their lives, I would like to support the future generations of young women who are being or are going to be sidelined for males who would like to compete as females. What purpose does this serve, other then to undermine biological females of every sport. Please consider the athletic differences their are between the sexes, their is a difference. Also please consider supporting our young women. Sometimes we as society don't consider the ramifications of our decisions. I urge you and others to think before you vote. Women's sports will be forever changed.

Thank you, Nicole Carey

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From: Sent: To: Subject: Attachments: Sen. Roger Holland Friday, March 11, 2022 11:33 AM Senate Education FW: Testimony in support of SB140 Testimony of LDW SB140.pdf

I have provided my cell phone number below, as I do in all communication, and I welcome you to continue to reach out to me via e-mail, or also via cell or text, if you prefer.

Thank you,

Roger Holland Senator, District N 907-351-8277 cell/text

From: Larry Wood <ld\_wood@wood-alaska.com> Sent: Friday, March 11, 2022 11:22 AM To: Sen. Shelley Hughes <sen.shelley.hughes@akleg.gov> Cc: Sen. Roger Holland <Senator.Roger.Holland@akleg.gov>; Sen. Gary Stevens <Sen.Gary.Stevens@akleg.gov>; Sen. Peter Micciche <Sen.Peter.Micciche@akleg.gov>; Sen. Tom Begich <Sen.Tom.Begich@akleg.gov> Subject: Testimony in support of SB140

Senator Hughes, The attached is my testimony in support of SB140. Regards, Larry Wood, \_\_\_\_\_

Palmer, Alaska 99645 Tel.: Cell:

# TESTIMONY IN SUPPORT OF SB140

I support SB140 as necessary and appropriate to prevent Alaska female sports from becoming the mockery and circus that exists in the blue states.

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This bill is necessary to allow only biological females to compete with other biological females. This bill would also protect biological females from having to compete with 'transgender' females who are actually biological males.

The reality of even transgender "females" (biological males) competing against biological females enjoy a minimum of >30% upper body muscle mass and a minimum of >20% increased lung capacity over females. Further, the male is generally larger and faster than the female, which is not diminished by the hormonal treatments or surgery. These physical advantages gives the transgender 'female' who is a biological male an unfair advantage in sports.

Males have a lung capacity of 1.5 pints of air at rest, females .6 to .8 pint lung capacity: <u>https://centersforrespiratoryhealth.com/blog/lung-capacity-what-does-it-mean/</u>; regarding muscle mass: <u>https://pubmed.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/8477683/</u>.

The World Rugby Assoc. bars transgendered "women" from playing Rugby against biological women, because of the greater risk of injury to the biological female: <u>https://www.world.rugby/the-game/player-welfare/guidelines/transgender</u>. The reason is that the size difference and greater velocity pose a greater risk of injury to the smaller, lighter biological female. This risk extends to any sport where there is contact—basketball, baseball, soccer, etc.

The collegiate and high school record of transgender 'females' competing against biological females is indisputable. Whenever these transgendered 'females' compete, they crush their biological female competitors.

It should be noted that the Y male chromosome does not disappear after hormonal therapy or surgery to 'convert' a male to 'female', one's delusions regarding gender or elective surgery that amounts to mutilation does not change one's biological sex. A transgender 'male' who is female by birth is still a biological female—one does not gain a Y chromosome during treatment. Nor does a transgender 'female' who was born a biological male lose the Y chromosome during treatment.

Allowing transgender 'females' (biological males) to compete against biological females constitutes sexual abuse by allowing transgender "females" into their private areas, endangers biological females in any physical contact due to males having a greater mass and ability to exert greater force, and reflects idiocy in the face of biology, social and moral conventions.

There is no 'discrimination' issue in barring males who have undergone hormonal and even the sex change surgery. The discrimination and unfairness occurs in forcing biological females to compete with transgender "females" who cannot shed their male advantages with a label.

These transgender treatments are elective, done by choice to create something that is an illusion and delusional for that individual. The Y chromosome is still there. They will always be male. And, therefore, with a potential for injuring a biological female in any contact during sport play. Putting on a dress, taking hormones to grow breasts and having one's male sex organs removed does not create a female, reduce physical size, or reduce physical advantages.

Sanity needs to be restored to female sports. SB140 does this by recognizing that there is a difference biologically, and that faux females who are still biological males have an irrefutable overwhelming physical advantage. SB140 seeks to right a wrong.

This ends my testimony in support of SB140.

Regards,

Lawrence D. Wood

almer, Alaska 99645 Tel.: Cell:

From: Sent: To: Subject: Marie Fremlin Friday, March 11, 2022 11:37 AM Senate Education Womens sports

The Women's Suffrage Movement was a battle for equal rights for women, not men posing as women. It was a battle fought spanning many generations to secure that Women could live, work and play safe from discrimination and have the equivalent privileges afforded to men with the same legal protections as men. I find it horrifying that the patriarchy has co-opted the transexual and gay community to undermine the Rights of Women as an equally protected class. Liberal minded people should not seek to protect the rights of one group of people at the expense of another. Biology & Physiology is inconvenient Science for agenda seekers in the world today who want to elevate themselves by stepping on others. Leave women's and men's sports and lockerrooms alone. Transgender and transsexual persons can form their own leagues and clubs where they can bend the facts and set the rules however they see fit. We all deserve a sense of safety, security and privacy as well as a fair set of rules that doesn't infringe on someone else.

From: Sent: To: Subject: LAVONNE BAYSINGER Friday, March 11, 2022 TT:44 AM Senate Education SB 140 - Keep women's & girls' sports ALL female

Please pass SB 140 protecting Title IX for female athletes. Let's go by their original birth certificate of FEMALE.

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From: Sent: To: Subject: Gordon Jensen Friday, March 11, 2022 11:46 AM Senate Education SB 140

Dear Members of the Senate Education Committee, I just want to add my voice to those who believe that Girls and Women sports activities should be reserved for actual, biological females and that they should not be forced to compete against biological males, who may identify as females, but who have an obvious and undeniable biological advantage. Thank you for your time in allowing my voice to be heard in this matter.

G Jensen

Cordova, Alaska

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From: Sent: To: Subject: John Thies Friday, March 11, 2022 11:47 AM Senate Education SB 40

Please support SB 40 for fairness in sports. Regards, John Thies

Anchorage, AK

From: Sent: To: Subject: John Thies Friday, March 11, 2022 11:50 AM Senate Education SB 40

Support equality in sports. Please support SB 40. Linda Thies 10880 Kamishak Bay Circle Anchorage, AK

From: Sent: To: Subject:

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Cynthia Allen Friday, March 11, 2022 12:01 PM Senate Education SUPPORT SB140 - stop discrimination against women!!

From: Sent: To: Subject: Shelby Burger Friday, March 11, 2022 12:01 PM Senate Education Please support SB 140

Dear Senators,

I am a mom of 5 children living in Anchorage. My two older children both participated in high school sports here in Anchorage and my daughter was part of the first girls wrestling team when we lived in Massachusetts. My son played co-ed soccer as well as track and wrestling.

There is a place for co-Ed sports, especially team sports like soccer. But in many individual sports like track or swimming it is only fair to have girls competing with other biological girls. We can acknowledge this fact of biology without being cruel or unsupportive to a trans individual. Boys are often faster and stronger than girls. And in contact sports like wrestling, we could be putting our girls in danger requiring them to wrestle a biological male of the same weight class.

After all the strides we have made in this country to give girls and women equal opportunities to boys and men, why are we now taking those opportunities away? Why are we putting our girls at risk?

I respectfully ask that you vote yes on SB 140 and protect girls' sports.

Shelby Burger Anchorage, AK 99503

From: Sent: To: Subject: Edna Johanson Friday, March 11, 2022 12:14 PM Senate Education Keep Alaska Women's Sports as Alaska Women's Sports

I substitute taught in the Fairbanks North Star Borrough School District for 20 years because I wanted young people to know that in me they could place their trust. Above all else, I sought to respect students' rights to fair treatment within the classroom. The same rules and consequences applied to EVERY student in the classroom. The result was consistency and peaceful classrooms for students who simply wanted to get their work done. I received many thank you's from students for keeping the order in the classroom.

Student athletes work just as hard on the play field as those who work academically in the classroom. Student athletes practice their skills for many days and hours in preparation for their competitions - - their tests of their skills. The standard of fairness MUST apply on the play field in order for students to know that their victory can be called legitimate . Biological males CANNOT be allowed in competition with biological females .

Edna Johanson 589 Mad Russian Street Fairbanks , Ak. 99712

From: Sent: To: Subject: yank me Friday, March 11, 2022 12:15 PM Senate Education SB 140

I am in favor of SB 140 because even if a transgender takes hormones shaves the Adam apple does cosmetic surgery to change there appearance they still have male muscles and strength that biological females do not have. No matter what they do they are still males biologically and it is unfair for females to compete against them. If transgenders want to compete they should have their own separate league to compete to keep the playing field in fair competition. If transgenders are allowed to compete in women sports might as well call it the end of competitive sports for biological women they will never win, that's why there are two separate sports one for males and one for females. Thank you for supporting SB 140. Why are we charging everything for 3 percent of the population?

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From: Sent: To: Subject: Tracy Wilson Friday, March 11, 2022 12:21 PM Senate Education SB140

I support SB140.

Tracy Wilson Palmer, AK 99645

From: Sent: To: Subject: jeff akrichards.com Friday, March 11, 2022 12:22 PM Senate Education; Sen. Shelley Hughes SB 140 - Full Support

To Whom It May Concern:

I fully support SB140. I encourage you to pass this bill. Let biological girls in Alaska complete as girls and let biological boys compete as boys.

Thank you, Jeff Kline

From: Sent: To: Subject: James Rowland Friday, March 11, 2022 12:35 PM Senate Education SB-140

I fully support SB-140 to protect women's sports. Thankyou. Jim Rowland

From: Sent: To: Subject: tammy eaker Friday, March 11, 2022 12:48 PM Senate Education Please pass SB140

Please pass SB140 so girls and women in Alaska won't be discriminated against in sports in our schools. Everything women have gained in sports is currently being stolen by men pretending to be women. This is unfair and wrong! We must not rob our girls and women of what they have worked so hard for. Please pass SB140 to keep our rights equal, thank you.

Tammy Eaker Wasilla, AK

Psalm 100 On your feet now—applaud God! Bring a gift of laughter, sing yourselves into his presence. Know this: God is God, and God, God. He made us; we didn't make him.

From: Sent: To: Subject: Erin Friday, March 11, 2022 12:48 PM Senate Education SB 140 – the Even Playing Field Act

I am writing to request your support of SB-140. I am a mother of three daughters that competed in athletics in high school including Tanner Ealum who as a senior in high school had to compete against a biologically born male in the ASAA 3A State Track and Field Championships in 2016.

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Although she ultimately placed 1st in the event, the fact the she had to compete against a biologically born male contradicts the Title IX intentions for fair competition for female sports. My daughter worked and trained tirelessly to compete using her God-given talent and was fortunate to receive a full-ride track scholarship to Liberty University. However female born athletes were bumped for slots in the 3A State Championships due to ASAA allowing a biologically born male to compete as a female. These female athletes worked just as hard and were not given the opportunity to compete and receive potential scholarships. I urge you to protect female's rights by supporting SB-140 and ensuring fair competition for females in Alaska. Please vote for SB-140 and protect the legal rights of females that should already be afforded in Title IX.

Respectively submitted,

Erin E. Ealum Mother of three daughters and an athlete

From: Sent: To: Subject:

Gary Storey Friday, March 11, 2022 12:58 PM Senate Education SB-140

Senator's,

Please protect womens/girls sports.

They want to compete in athletics, and enjoy the competition against other biological female's. It is unfair for them to be expected to compete against someone that is born a male/boy. The playing field is not equal. Vote, yes for this legislation to protect womens/girls athletics.

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Thank you,

Gary Storey

From: Sent: To: Subject: Stephanie Sampson Friday, March 11, 2022 1:11 PM Senate Education SB 140

Dear Senate Education Committee,

I am writing this letter as a concerned lifelong Alaskan in support of SB 140 - The Even Playing Field Act brought into legislation by Senator Shelley Hughes. Females are biologically different than males. This is a proven fact. Males are shown to have greater bone density, often more muscle mass, and larger hearts. Even if a male does identify as female, biologically there is a difference. Sports made a huge (positive) impact on my life in high school and the high school girls of today and the future deserve an even playing field.

Thank you for your time, consideration, and all the work you do.

Sincerely,

Stephanie Sampson North Pole, AK

From: Sent: To: Subject: Anthony Joseph Friday, March 11, 2022 1:16 PM Senate Education State of Alaska Female sports

I am AGAINST letting any or all people (all pronouns included) who were born genetically male at birth to compete directly or indirectly against genetically born female athletes in the State of Alaska. Accredited world wide science has proven without a doubt that there is a distinct anatomical advantage to genetically born male human species over genetically born female human species.

VOTE TO KEEP ANY AND ALL FEMALE SPORTING EVENTS IN THE STATE OF ALASKA GENETICALLY FEMALE.

THIS VOTE TO COMPLETELY EXCLUDE ALL MALE GENETICALLY BORN PARTICIPANTS FROM COMPETING IN GENETICALLY FEMALE BORN SPORTS SHOULD INCLUDE ALL PRESCHOOL, KINDERGARTEN, MIDDLE SCHOOL, HIGH SCHOOL, JUNIOR, AND STATE COLLEGE.

Sincerely, A. Bluma Wasilla, AK

From: Sent: To: Subject: Nathan Traugott Friday, March 11, 2022 2:08 PM Senate Education SB 140

Senators,

Please support SB 140. This is crucial for woman's sports. Thank you, Nathan and Elizabeth Traugott

From: Sent: To: Subject: Grant Bovee Friday, March 11, 2022 2:09 PM Senate Education keep boys out of girls bathrooms and sports

keep boys out of girls bathrooms and sports

From: Sent: To: Subject: Emily Sobek Friday, March 11, 2022 2:41 PM Senate Education SB 140

Heilo AK Senate & Senator Shelley Hughes,

Regarding the SB140. Please, vote to ensure women's athletics programs are reserved for women only. Women are defined as having 2 X chromosomes and men are defined as having 1 X & 1 Y chromosome. Surgery, verbal declaration, or anything else does not alter this.

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Please, see explanation of X & Y chromosomes from the University of Utah here.

https://learn.genetics.utah.edu/content/pigeons/sexlinkage/

Please, see below linked article from Stanford University with a review of the historical study of anatomical differences between men and women. This article begins with studies from Galen, 200AD and concludes with William Harvey, 1653. Since 200AD, philosophers understood there are only men and women and were curious of the anatomical differences; human anatomy/phycology has not changed, we still have our innate human nature and anatomy. https://web.stanford.edu/class/history13/earlysciencelab/body1/femalebodypages/genitalia.html

We must protect the sanctity of our little girls as they grow up to be strong leaders & mothers in our state.

Thank you for taking the time to review this foundational education of our species.

Thank you, Emily Sobek

Watterson Construction Co.

Anchorage, AK 99518 Anchorage Office Cell

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From: Sent: To: Subject: Loren Leman Friday, March 11, 2022 3:03 PM Senate Education Support for SB140

Chairman Holland and members of the Senate Education Committee,

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I give my full support for SB140 to protect athletic opportunities for girls and young women.

Carolyn and I are the parents of three children who competed actively in sports from a young age through high school. One of our two daughters went on to compete in volleyball and crosscountry running in college where she excelled, won a conference championship, and qualified to run in the national championship race her senior year. Some of this opportunity may not have been available to her if along the way she had to compete against biological males, even though the competition was ostensibly for girls and women.

We are grateful for the opportunities advanced for females during the past half century of Title IX--which weren't available to Carolyn when she was in high school, with the exception of cheerleading, which she did. But she started recreational running "later in life" and is enjoying that as a healthy activity. We now are watching our grandchildren develop as athletes. Our 10-year-old granddaughter is currently playing on a co-ed hockey team and it is interesting that some of the best skaters on her team are girls. However, even at that age it is apparent that most of the boys are faster and stronger. As she grows older we want her, like her mother, to have the opportunity to skate on a team with other girls more her size and skill level, develop friendships, and learn important life lessons from that experience.

Let's save athletics for girls and young women, not succumb to what some may think is political correctness. It isn't.

Loren Leman

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Anchorage, Alaska 99519-0773

From: Sent: To: Cc: Subject: Sen. Elvi Gray-Jackson Friday, March 11, 2022 3:06 PM David Frazier; Senate Education Rep. Harriet Drummond RE: SB140

Dear David,

Thank you for writing and expressing your view on SB140.

Sincerely,

"Representing Your Interests"

SENATOR ELVI GRAY-JACKSON DISTRICT I Serving Spenard, Midtown and UMed State Capitol, Room 417 Juneau, AK 99801 907-465-4930



From: David Frazier <david.frazier@dfabenefits.com> Sent: Thursday, March 10, 2022 4:37 PM To: Senate Education <Senate.Education@akleg.gov> Cc: Sen. Elvi Gray-Jackson <Sen.Elvi.Gray-Jackson@akleg.gov>; Rep. Harriet Drummond <Rep.Harriet.Drummond@akleg.gov> Subject: SB140

I support SB140. It is fair and ethical. Let's be honest and support the majority.



| From:    | Eva Hansen  |
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| Sent:    | Friday, March 11, 2022 3:24 PM  |
| То:      | Senate Education  |
| Subject: | Hello, Dear Members of the Education Committee of AlaskaPlease support SB 140 |

It is only FAIR AND RIGHT () Thank you Eva Hansen

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From: Sent: To: Subject: Mark Barnett Friday, March 11, 2022 3:42 PM Senate Education Please support SB 140

Dear Alaska Senators,

As an active Alaskan voter, I ask you to support SB 140. I want all girls' sports to have a level playing field and not have to compete with males that consider themselves female.

Sincerely, Karen Barnett

| From:        | Katie Nolan                         |
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| Sent:        | Friday, March 11, 2022 3:46 PM      |
| To:          | Sen. Roger Holland                  |
| Cc:          | Sen. Gary Stevens; Senate Education |
| Subject:     | SB140                               |
| Attachments: | Letter Re SB 140.docx               |
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- To: Senator Roger Holland, Chair, Senate Education Committee Senator.Roger.Holland@akleg.gov
- CC: Senator Gary Stevens, Vice Chair <u>Senator.Gary.Stevens@akleg.gov</u>

Senate Education Committee Senate.Education@akleg.gov

- From: Katie Nolan
- Re: SB 140

I cannot imagine any instance when, as a pre-teen or teenager, I would have ever played in any girls sport that would have included biological males. Instead, I would have avoided those competitions, missing out on all the opportunities they provided.

I cheered nieces and nephews on in their high school sports teams, and congratulated them as they won awards and college scholarships while excelling on teams that involved those of the same biological sex.

Science deniers will insist that biological males can be females. Anyone with an education understands that there are factual biological differences between the two sexes. Feelings are not science, and placing biological males on sports teams with biological females deprives those biological females of the opportunities that Title IX provided, ie, awards, success, recognition and college scholarships.

Please pass the common sense SB 140 and protect our children and their futures. SB 140 ensures equal opportunity for both biological sexes competing on fair, equitable and level playing fields, while those wishing to compete in co-ed competitions still maintain that opportunity.

Thank you.

From: Sent: To: Subject: Keri Anderson Friday, March 11, 2022 4:22 PM Senate Education; Sen. David Wilson; Rep. Kevin McCabe SB 140

Dear Senate Education Committee, Senator Wilson, Representative McCabe:

I am writing to show my emphatic support of Senate Bill 140!

I am a former athlete myself and now a mother of 5 daughters, all athletes. I have also coached girls' soccer and basketball for many years. I am invested in girls sports. I witness, on a daily basis, the hard work, determination, sweat, tears, joy, success, loss, and amazing growth sports bring to the the lives of young girls. I also recognize these same things for boys! It's wonderful! There are many outlets for all interests, and at various levels of abilities, for everyone!! There is also a very clear difference between males and females in athletics due to their biological differences. There is no shame in witnessing the fact that boys are built stronger, faster, and bigger, especially as they grow and mature. That is why we have separate girls and boys teams/events. I understand transgenderism has become a sensitive social issue and I stand with other Alaskans in support of all people being treated kindly, fairly, and with respect. Supporting SB 140 does not take away from that.

There is simply no place in girls' sports for biological males. Allowing participation of a biological male, even as a transwoman, with the superior build their anatomy has, will only be a detriment to the biological females they compete with.

Title IX created a place for girls in all athletics by ensuring a place for female sports. Please do not allow the remarkable achievements of that historic legislation be defeated by allowing males, even as trans-women, into girls sports.

Please protect Alaska's daughters by ensuring them that their athletic achievements, placements on teams or spots on the podium will NOT be taken by a biological boy.

This is very important!

Your decision to support Senate Bill 140 will show the nation and our great state that Alaska supports girls and women! Alaska will protect female athletes by ensuring the great success of Title IX will continue in the lives of Alaskan female athletes!

Thank you for your time!

Sincerely,

Keri Anderson Wasilla, Alaska

From: Sent: To: Subject: Ken E Kincaid Friday, March 11, 2022 4:57 PM Senate Education SB140

Hello Alaska Legislature I am in strong support of SB 140.

Cordially Ken Kincaid.

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| To:      |
| Subject: |

Mary Friday, March 11, 2022 5:04 PM Senate Education Equality for female athletes

Get real, Ladies and Gentlemen. Think back to your school days. Would you have wanted to compete against Arnold Schwarzenegger in his buff days? Would it have been a fair competition? Would you have even tried? Don't penalize female athletes before they even get in-play!

From: Sent: To: Subject: Friday, March 11, 2022 5:22 PM Senate Education SB140 - in support

Dear Alaska Legislators,

I fully support SB140. Please pass this bill so that girls and women in Alaska will not be discriminated against in sports in our schools. Girls and women in Alaska need to be able to compete in a fair and equitable way that does not put them at a disadvantage. This bill is needed to assure an ongoing fair situation for women and girls in sports in Alaska.

Joy McCall Registered voter in Chugiak, Alaska

From: Sent: To: Subject:

rnday, March 11, 2022 5:33 PM Sen. Shelley Hughes SB 140

Dear Senator Shelley Hughes,

I fully support SB140. Please pass this bill so that girls and women in Alaska will not be discriminated against in sports in our schools. Girls and women in Alaska need to be able to compete in a fair and equitable way that does not put them at a disadvantage. This bill is needed to assure an ongoing fair situation for women and girls in sports in Alaska.

Joy McCall Registered voter in Chugiak, Alaska

From: Sent: To: Subject: Patti Gaede Friday, March 11, 2022 6:00 PM Senate Education SB 140 Even the Playing Field Act

Dear Committee, Please support SB140 to ensure that women's sports are not dominated by biological males. Thank you for applying logical thinking. Patti Gaede 99669

From: Sent: To: Lisa Tcheripanoff Friday, March 11, 2022 6:33 PM Senate Education

Please do not vote for letting men who claim to be a women play in/on women sports or teams. We all know the science shows that proves they are not the same physically as born women. Keep my girls and grand

girls, great grand girls SAFE!! Sincerely Lisa Tcheripanofd

From: Sent: To: Subject: THOMAS BERGEY Friday, March 11, 2022 6:43 PM Sen. Shelley Hughes SB140

Hi Sen. Hughes,

I write to you in support of SB140. Federal Title IX has allowed great strides to be made in female athletics over 50+ years. The recent trends in society have began to reverse the progress female athletes have made over the past decades. I see this legislation as protecting our female athletes from unfair competition based on biological genetic differences which presently cannot be changed through current medical procedures.

Tom Bergey Palmer

From: Sent: To: Subject: Judy Norton-Eledge Friday, March 11, 2022 6:59 PM Senate Education SB 140

Dear Senate Education Committee,

I am waiting in favor of SB 140. As a woman who fought hard for women's rights and was thrilled when Title IX was passed, I am appalled that we are now trying to destroy women's sports.

I ask myself where all the feminists are today? The ones that wanted equal rights for women. Their silence is deafening. Even more frustration is the fact that so many in the medical community and organizations are not saying anything to protect women. It is laughable when I remember in the 60-70s where all women athletes had to do blood tests in the Olympics to ensure they had not been taking testosterone and compete with an advantage.

This has nothing to do with what you "choose" to be. It is about the young girls in high school sports that work for years to be successful in a sport. Then these women go to a city, state or national event and are stamped out by a man who just a year ago competed as a man. So in this final chapter of women's rights. are we allowing men to stamp on those hard earned rights?

This is Women's History month and I wonder what all those women before us would think? SB140 brings common sense back in support of all young women. It allows us to stand with them. It allows us to say NO to any man who thinks he can take away a woman's right for equality in sports.

Judy Eledge Anchorage AK 99517

From: Sent: To: Subject: Mary Soldin Friday, March 11, 2022 7:05 PM Senate Education SB 140

Please vote yes on SB 140,

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From: Sent: To: Subject: Sandy Friday, March 11, 2022 7:36 PM Senate Education SB 140

Please protect girl's sports by allowing only biological females to compete against one another. Common sense needs to prevail!

Thank you

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From: Sent: To: Subject: Sarah Jensep Friday, March 11, 2022 7:38 PM Senate Education SB140

Please pass SB140 so girls and women won't be discriminated against in sports in our schools.

I raised 3 children (2 girls & 1 boy) who all attended Chugiak High School & played tennis, swam, skiied & ran in high school. I hope girls in school now have the same opportunities in sports as my kids did.

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Thank you, <u>Sarah</u> Jensen

Chugiak AK 99657

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Vicki Janneck Friday, March 11, 2022 7:47 PM Senate Education

I am for Senate Bill 140. Transgender male will always out do a woman. Support our wonderful Alaska girl's and vote yes.

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From: Sent: To: Subject: Sarah Beers Friday, March 11, 2022 8:14 PM Senate Education SB 140

Good evening,

Please protect women's sports. It's a physical unfair advantage for biological males to compete with biological females, even if they're in hormone blockers or estrogen. Caitlyn Jenner has recently expressed the issues with this very topic and she should know since she competed on an Olympic level. Thank you for listening.

Thank you,

Sarah Beers-Eames

Wasilla, AK 99687

From: Sent: To: Subject: Dennis Hanšen Friday, March 11, 2022 9:04 PM Senate Education Support SB 140 - Even Playing Field Act

Dear Members of the Education Committee,

As a lifelong Alaskan and proud parent of four children I request that you support SB 140. It is crucial that school sports remain focused on providing children an opportunity to build their athletic skills and enjoy healthy competition among each other. Biology shows that male and female bodies have several key differences. One of these key differences being muscle mass resulting in different physical abilities. While male and female bodies have differences it does not mean one is more valuable than the other. Rather it is our differences which enhance our compliments of one another. However, in athletic competition where an individual's strength is a deciding factor between winning and losing, possessing an innate biological advantage is not something which competing athletes can obtain or equal via practice, training, or diet. Male bodies competing in female athletics are provided an underlying biological advantage which is not able to be matched or overcome by the dedication of other female athletes. In order to preserve respectful and fair athletic competition biological sex specific athletics must be preserved and protected for generations to come. Please support SB 140 and the future of Alaskan athletics.

Thank you, Dennis Hansen

From: Sent: To: Subject: Starkfam Friday, March 11, 2022 9:04 PM Sen. Shelley Hughes I am in support of sb140 to

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Thank you,

**Rachael Stark** 

From: Sent: To: Subject: Pat Symbol Friday, March 11, 2022 9:05 PM Senate Education SB 140

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l support SB 140 Pat Symbol Big Lake, Ak.

From: Sent: To: Subject: Ricki Jackson Friday, March 11, 2022 9:16 PM Senate Education Biological males do not have any right to compete against Biological Females.

To whom it make concern:

As the world and our culture gets crazier by the day, I see another aspect to our culture being crushed by a very small minority ; Womens Sports. Never in my lifetime could I imagine this even being up for consideration.

I was a female high school athlete. I competed at a fair level against other biological females. When I competed against the males, I stood no chance! They crushed me! Completely understandable based on our biological differences in strength, speed, testosterone, and anatomy.

Thus, I competed against females, where the field of play was fair and just . I was blessed to have women who fought for my right to even be able to be a female athlete, for this idea of girls even playing sports was so looked down upon for decades.

Now, since 2020, we have male athletes who are struggling with their gender identity and thus, trying to erase womens sports off the map, again. I'm not here to comment on the issue of gender identity; that's for a different conversation. I'm here to point out the scientific and biological FACTS that no matter how much you lower a biological males testosterone and pump them full of estrogen, they are still stronger than any female. It's simple biology. They win every race, every time. And when they win in replace of a biological female, it erodes decades of work in womens sports. We loose out on scholarships, records, making the team, being a real women and the will you even play! Why would we? We've been replaced by men who identify as a women, thus they get their way, and we are thrown to the side - trash really.

I have nieces and I will fight for them to be able to have to the same chance I was given to play sports, where they're ONLY competing against biological females.

Thank you for your time , Ricki Jackson

From: Sent: To: Subject: dawn maness Friday, March 11, 2022 9:34 PM Senate Education Yes! On SB 140

Please DEFEND WOMENS SPORTS. Support SB 140. HE/She's do not belong competing against women. How long did Women have to fight for Title 9? Which isn't great, but Women Athletes NEED YOU to defend and Guarantee Their Right to compete on a level playing field.

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Jason Friday, March 11, 2022 10:06 PM Senate Education

To whom it may concern,

To be straight forward and very clear biological men should not play women's sports. Do not allow legislation that would allow men to play women's sports.

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Thank for listening the majority. Jason Ellis

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From: Sent: To: Subject: Launa Friday, March 11, 2022 10:20 PM Senate Education SB140

We need to protect our women and girls sports at all cost! Please pass this bill to show that you support women! Men who transition to women should never be able to play on women or girls teams - it's wrong and it takes away from natural born women and girls. If they want to play a sport they should play with other trans people to be on a level playing field. It's scientific fact that boys and men have higher bone density, more testosterone, larger muscles, and are naturally faster and stronger than girls weather they have transitioned or not. Women shouldn't be thrown to the side lines because biological men are allowed to play in girls sports. Not only that but biological men and boys shouldn't be allowed in the girls locker rooms! That is just not fair especially to girls or women who have been molested or raped. It causes psychological harm to women and girls! Stop this madness and pass this bill.

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From: Sent: To: Subject: Irene Quednow Friday, March 11, 2022 10:37 PM Senate Education; Rep. Matt Claman; Rep. Sara Rasmussen; Sen. Mia Costello SB 140 Public Testimony

Dear Senators,

Please support SB 140. Title IX brought about important rights for women in sports and if transgender males are allowed in women's sports everything that was achieved with Title IX will disappear (see excerpt of an article on Title IX below).

# TITLE IX'S IMPACT

The impact of Title IX on women's sports is significant. The law opened doors and removed barriers for girls and women, and while female athletes and their sports programs still have fewer teams, fewer scholarships, and lower budgets than their male counterparts, since Title IX's passage, female participation at the high school level has grown by 1057 percent and by 614 percent at the college level.

The impact of Title IX stretches into professional sports as well. More opportunities have emerged for young women to turn their sport into their career, particularly in the WNBA. Collegiate and professional coaching opportunities have increased as well.

Billie Jean King created the Women's Sports Foundation in part to protect the sports side of Title IX.

Title IX remains the only law that grants women any kind of equality in America.

Even with a sex change surgery and hormone therapy there are physical aspects like bone density and greater physical strength that will not change in a transgender male, putting the person at a great advantage in competition with women that is simply unfair.

To make it practical: we celebrated Lydia Jacoby's gold medal in the Olympics last year. One of our own Alaskan incredible women athletes. That would most likely never have happened if a transgender male would have competed in the same swimming competition as Lydia.

The argument is being made that it will gravely affect the self esteem of the transgender person if they are not allowed to compete in women's sports. What about the self esteem of the women's athletes? Why would they put all the hard work in to compete when their opponent in the competition has such a huge and unfair advantage? That is a huge blow to their self esteem. By allowing transgender males to compete in women's sports you are telling all women that their hard work and accomplishments mean nothing and one person's self esteem is more important than another person's self esteem. And that is never ok.

Please vote "yes" on SB 140.

Respectfully, Irene Quednow

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From: Sent: To: Subject: icedberg Friday, March 11, 2022 10:48 PM Senate Education SB140

Please pass this legislation for the integrity of girls and womens sports.

As the father of 4 daughters who were/are all athletes, and someone who has worked with athletes for over 2 decades, it is absolutely unfair for biological females to have to compete against biological males no matter what phase of transition they maybe in.

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I am all for creating a seperate category for trans athletes to compete if they do not want to compete against individuals with the same birth gender.

Thank you for your attention to this extremely important issue that will protect women!

Scott Berg

North Pole, AK 99705

Sent from my Galaxy

From: Sent: To: Subject: Priscilla Hurley Friday, March 11, 2022 10:49 PM Senate Education Yes to SB 140

Dear Members of the Senate Education Committee,

Please support SB 140. We can not pretend that the objective reality of the biological differences between males and females are not real. If one identifies as a female this does not alter the objective biological reality found in every cell of the males body. It is just not fair for the female athletes who have worked hard to excel in their sport to have their ambitions be overpowered by male biological strength and performance.

There is nothing complicated about this is there? It is simply unfair and not right. Thank you for your consideration.

Respectfully, Priscilla Hurley Anchorage, AK

From: Sent: To: Subject: Char Lamb Friday, March 11, 2022 10:50 PM Senate Education SB 140

Please pass this bill. I believe that there is a difference in male and female bodies. A change in sex does not change the complete body. I have personal friends that have trans gendered who Agee with me. Male bodies have different muscle mass than female bodies. It is unfair to put a trans gender female assist s non or birth female. If we continue on that path birth women will be sidelined and trans genders will overtake any sport. It would be more fair to create a separate category for trans females against trans females as well as trans male vs trans male.

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Charlotte Lamb Anchorage, Alaska

From: Sent: To: Subject: Brittany Tompkins Friday, March 11, 2022 10:58 PM Senate Education sb140

I support bill 140 and support Sheily Hugh's efforts to protect womens rights.

I want to ensure discrimination against girls and women does not occur – that they are treated fairly and not disadvantaged in athletic programs compared to male-bodied athletes.

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Please pass this bill and protect our daughters.

Brittany Tompkins Anchorage Resident

Sent from my iPhone

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From: Sent: To: Subject: Terri Nettles Friday, March 11, 2022 11:12 PM Senate Education Women's Athletics

I want you to know I think women's athletics programs should be for women not biological men. There is no way a man can ever change his DNA to make him a woman and a man will always have an unfair advantage. There are two genders and Alaska needs to stand up for truth and not the lies the liberals are trying to force on all of us !

Thank you Terri Nettles From: Sent: To: Subject: Ceylon and/or Valerie Mitchell Friday, March 11, 2022 11:13 PM Senate Education SB 140 SUPPORT

Greetings,

This is a sad day when we have to support and defend women, and girls in their pursuit of an equal playing field in the area of sports. I fully and absolutely support this bill. Biological men have no place in competing against biological women, and girls. Competitive sports should be an equal and fair competition. Biological males should compete with other biological males, period. The women's rights groups seem to be silent on this issue. What a shame. The adverse impact will be felt more so in the black community where competitive sports is an opportunity to win scholarships for college and beyond. If this bill does not pass, the result is stealing, killing and destroying educational opportunities for black and other minority women and girls. As a black woman, I am appalled that a group would seek to destroy the dreams of black women and girls. Pass this bill!

Thank you and have a great day!

Valerie Fletcher-Mitchell

"The heart of any problem is not the human condition; the problem, instead is the condition of the human heart."

From: Sent: To: Subject: William H Gilbert Friday, March 11, 2022 11:45 PM Senate Education; Sen.Shelley.Hughes@akleg.govt SB140

To: Members of the Education Committee:

From: William H. Gilbert, 535 S. Williwaw Dr., Palmer AK

Date: 12 March 2022

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That situation reminds me of the familiar Story of Little Red Riding Hood who enters her grandmother's room to encounter a big, bad male wolf impersonating the grandmother and threatening the life and opportunities of Little Red Riding Hood!

From: Sent: To: Subject: Jill and Greg Moody Friday, March 11, 2022 11:46 PM Senate Education Support SB140

I'm am writing to you to ask you to support the SB140 and protect women's sports. Allowing a transgender male to compete in women's sports is NEVER fair. Please help stop this insanity.

Thank you, Jill Moody

Anchorage, AK 99508

Sent from Yahoo Mail on Android

From: Sent: To: Subject: Tricia Bates Friday, March 11, 2022 11:47 PM Senate Education Support SB 140

Please vote yes on SB 140, protecting girls' sports in Alaska. Science and common sense tell us that there are significant biological differences between males and females that gives males an advantage physically in sports over females. It is unfair to biological females to be forced to compete against biological males. For that reason, please support SB 140.

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Thank you, Tricia B

From: Sent: To: Subject: Martha Schoffmann Friday, March 11, 2022 11:58 PM Senate Education SB 140

Please do not allow biological males to compete against biological females. It will destroy women's sports forever.

Thank you!

From: Sent: To: Subject: Conni Goodwin Saturday, March 12, 2022 12:19 AM Senate Education SB 140

Female sports should be for biological females.

From: Sent: To:

Kelly Riggs Saturday, March 12, 2022 12:31 AM Senate Education

To whom it may concern,

I'm hoping we can count on our committees to do the right thing. Biological males compete with males, and Biological females compete with females. Woman of all sexualities have worked long and hard to be taken seriously in sports. And now that there is are all these Female sports people want to take that away from girls and women by letting a Biological make compete with them. This is so wrong it's crazy to think it's even being debated or already implemented in certain states or countries. The more fair and intelligent way to address this situation is keep it simple Biological male or female, period. Or make a transgender league and see if there's enough competition to actually build a team and said groups play one another... so that it doesn't ruin female sports and at its back 50 years. Would be a shame and a disgrace to all women to go backwards.

Please do the right thing and support Mrs. Hughes with 5B 140.

Right some of the wrongs that have managed to slip by.

Thanks, Kelly Andersen-Riggs Sutton, Ak

Sent via the Samsung Galaxy S9+, an AT&T 5G Evolution capable smartphone Get Outlook for Android

From: Sent: To: Subject: Ron Johnson Saturday, March 12, 2022 12:40 AM Senate Education SB 140 Public Testimony

Senate Education Committee,

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I strongly support SB 140 The Even Playing Field Act.

Males and females are physically, psychologically, and physiologically different. Allowing biological males to compete in female sports does a serious injustice to girls and young women. I have lived thru the era of seeing females strive for equality in the workplace, equality in the political arena, and equality in society as a whole; allowing males to compete in female sports is setting this struggle back decades.

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Furthermore, as a grandfather and a great-grandfather of young women and young girls it is my God given duty to nurture and to protect those that I love. This is a serious matter and it deserves serious consideration, I urge you to unanimously pass SB 140 in the Senate Education Committee and to again support this bill when it hits the Senate Floor.

Sincerely, Ron Johnson Representative ARP Region 2 Palmer, AK

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Emily Gibson Saturday, March 12, 2022 12:43 AM Senate Education Sen. Mike Shower SB 140 - Please level the playing field

#### To whom it may concern,

Please support SB 140 and vote yes to protect women's and girls' sports. As of now, girls are losing their right to an equal playing field because they are being forced to compete against biological boys. This is unfair and undermines decades of work to provide girls and women a safe realm to compete in sporting events.

SB 140 would preserve Title IX protections for women and girls and guarantee fairness by ensuring that biological boys compete against biological boys, and biological girls compete against biological girls. It is a well established scientific fact, that males have an overwhelming physical advantage over women and girls such as greater bone density, bigger hearts and lungs, and have increased muscle strength. This makes it both unfair and unsafe for women and girls that are being forced to compete against biological men. It is not uncommon that these biological differences account for the reason that thousands of high school boys can consistently outperform Olympic level women athletes. For example, one year 275 high school boys beat the lifetime best record of World Champion Sprinter, Allyson Felix. If the best female athletes in the world can't compete against high school boys, why would we force high school girls to compete against them? A male's belief about his gender doesn't change his physical advantages over female athletes. Everyone deserves the opportunity to compete in sports and have access to a fair playing field; including my daughters. We need the Even Playing Field Act in Alaska. I encourage you to vote YES for SB 140.

Thank you, Emily Gibson (palmer, ak)

From: Sent: To: Subject: Rodger Thomas Saturday, March 12, 2022 3:12 AM Sen. Shelley Hughes SB140

I fully and absolutely support SB140.

Thank you for all the good work you are doing.

Blessings,

Rodger Thomas Mobile:

From: Sent: To: Subject:

Saturday, March 12, 2022 4:33 AM Senate Education SB 140

Please support SB 140. The crazies are at it again. We need to get back to basics. Keep men out of women's locker rooms, bathrooms and sports. Enough is enough.

Sent from my Galaxy

From: Sent: To: Subject: Jenny Hanestad Saturday, March 12, 2022 4:55 AM Senate Education SB 140

Please support SB 140!!

Thank you! Jenny Hanestad Athlete and mom of five

"Obey God no matter what the rest of the world does."

From: Sent: To: Subject: Martha Lee Saturday, March 12, 2022 5:12 AM Senate Education SB 40

Please vote yes on SB 40. Our girls deserve an even playing field. Thank you. Martha Lee

From: Sent: To: Subject: Martha Lee Saturday, March 12, 2022 5:14 AM Senate Education SB140

Please vote yes on SB 140. Our girls deserve an even playing field. Thank you. Martha Lee

From: Sent: To: Subject: Kyndle Kirby Saturday, March 12, 2022 5:55 AM Sen. Shelley Hughes Female Athlete's Support of SB140

Hello Mrs. Hughes,

I am a student athlete at Concordia University Nebraska where I complete with Olympic level athletes in the disciplines of Skeet, Trap, and Sporting Clays. I began competing in shoot sports through a scholarship on the Palmer High School team. It was this sport that made it possible for me to attend college and graduate (this upcoming May) with a degree in Secondary Education (a degree that cannot be attained in the state of Alaska).

I would not have even been able to attend college out of state (as was necessary to receive my specific degree in education) and return home to Alaska to be a high school teacher if it were not for the athletic options and athletic scholarships that I received in high school and in college. If I had not been able to compete I most likely would not be returning home this summer to be a teacher in the state of Alaska. This sport made my career possible and also made it possible for me to return home and give back to the community that raised me.

As a female Alaskan athlete, I fully support SB140 and would like to see it passed! As a college student currently living out of state, I was not made aware of this bill until very recently. I hope it's not too late to share my views on the matter.

Blessings to you, Kyndle

From: Sent: To: Subject: Teri Bailey Saturday, March 12, 2022 6:01 AM Senate Education Womens Sports

Of course you have to be a woman to play woman's sports. Any other ideas are totally ridiculous and so unfair!!! Stand up and do what's right!! Thank you. Sent from my iPhone

From: Sent: To: Cc: Subject: Louisa Dennis Saturday, March 12, 2022 6:20 AM Senate Education Sen. Shelley Hughes Senate Bill 140

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Hi!

I just wanted to reach out and say I would love to see this bill passed. I am all for freedom of being who you want to be as long as it doesn't harm others. And although men becoming women and then competing in women's sports doesn't exactly cause physical harm it's emotional and intellectually affecting women as our body compositions are different and they won't be able to go the places or get the scholarships they originally could if they are being beat out by people who are born male. Even from stories I've seen of men taking testosterone suppressants it's not enough to make them compete on the same level as a women. I don't think women who become men should participate in men's sports either. There should be mens teams, womens teams, and co-Ed/potentially transgender teams.

Please pass this bill,

Thank you!

Louisa Love life ...

From: Sent: To: Cc: Subject: Tom Merriman Saturday, March 12, 2022 6:38 AM Senate Education Sen. Gary Stevens SB140

I support SB140 to give girls an equal playing field in sports.

Thank you for supporting this bill.

Thomas Merriman Kodiak, Alasks

From: Sent: To: Subject: Janyce Hamilton Saturday, March 12, 2022 6:53 AM Senate Education Fair competition

I'm asking for the benefit of all women and girls in Alaska sports competitions that biological males not be allowed to compete females. It's takes only a little common sense to realize men competing Against women is not a fair compete. Janyce Hamilton

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From: Sent: To: Subject: Cheryl Merriman Saturday, March 12, 2022 6:55 AM Senate Education SB140

I support this bill SB140 to give all girls a equal playing field for all sports. I ask that you support and pass this bill. Cheryl Merriman

Kodiak, Alaska

Randy Talvi Saturday, March 12, 2022 7:14 AM Senate Education SB 140

As a retired teacher and wrestling coach of both girls and boys. I strongly support SB 140.

Randy Talvi

michele yandell Saturday, March 12, 2022 7:16 AM Senate Education SB140

Hi my name is Michele I live in Alaska and I just would like you to consider my comments concerning this bill thank you!! If you let transgenders participate in the sports of choice that they Identify as , being a female identifying as a male or a male identifying as a female ) you are discriminating against those who are identifying with who they are biologically being from birth , being I was born a male, therefore I am a male, or I was born a female, therefor I am a female. Men were made stronger than women because their role in life is different than a woman's. They are stronger physically than a woman.

Women were made physically weaker than men because their role in life is different than a mans. Women have had to fight for their right to vote, to be a part of society, to work. Most women became active in work and sports during the world wars, when the men were off fighting. Women discovered they like helping and they like sports.

If you let men identifying as women into the sports, whether it's elementary clear up through collegiate you are making it very clear that men snd women should just mix sports together and join all women and men's sports because a man identifying as a women will not be changed physically to be weaker and they would dominate the sports throwing women and their sport under the bus. Men who identify as women will be allowed in locker rooms dressing rooms and showers. This is UNACCEPTABLE for a variety of reasons hat if needed spelled out well, you either have no daughters or granddaughters or sisters or nieces...and you should not be representing the people because you are most definitely not representing me.

Women identifying as men are just as concerning when wanting to play in a mans sport. There will be a great many dangers for them also in dressing rooms and showers and on the field. Which if you need spelled out then you have no sons or grandsons or brothers or nephews who will be having to make choices that will possible change there outlook in this life by having to protect these people from attack or God forbid become the attacker.

God the creator of our universe created Adam (man) and Eve (woman) so that they could produce children and they could produce children until here we are today. If God made Man and Man or Woman and Wiman he would not have made you.

So regardless of how you or I feel about this we need to think about how the majority feels when playing sports and never having a chance to be identified as a first place or second place or third place finisher in sports because a man who identifies as a women dominates a women's sport because physically they are a man. Really !!! Or vicee verse. Don't you see you will be crushing the very thing we tell our children when growing up. Anything is possible if you believe !!! If a man wants to identify as a woman or a woman wants to identify as a man then they obviously have that right. But they DO NOT have the right to join in sports that will discriminate and alter the choices of biological men and women who have chosen to be who God created them to be.

Maybe there is a sports arena waiting for transgenders who can compete amongst themselves. Just like men's sports and women's sports are now set up to be played fairly amongst there own peers.

Thank you for reading listening and taking into consideration the long term damaging effects this will create... Michele Yandell Hoonah Alaska



whitney Powell Saturday, March 12, 2022 7:52 AM Senate Education SB140

I fully support SB140!

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Whitney Powell

Sue Moore Saturday, March 12, 2022 7:58 AM Senate Education Women sports

Please protect women's right with regards to sports and stop this nonsense. Women should have to compete against biological males.

Susan Moore

Palmer Alaska 99645 Sent from my iPad

Bonnie Lenamond Saturday, March 12, 2022 8:09 AM Senate Education Senate Bill 140 VOTE YES

Please support this bill! If biological men are allowed to compete on women's teams, as women, they biologically have an advantage over biological women. This is extremely unfair to biological women. This is common sense. Please vote in favor of this bill.

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-Bonnie Lenamond

Sent from Mail for Windows

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Charlotte Brady Saturday, March 12, 2022 8:27 AM Senate Education SB140

Thank you, Shelley, for introducing this common sense bill to give the girls sports back to the biological girls. How outrageous that boys were ever allowed to get into girls sports.

Sorry, I'm a tad late, I just saw this in the Watchman.

You all have a good day today !

Charlotte Brady Wasilla, Alaska

Sent from my iPhone

Charlotte

From: Sent: To: Subject: Kathy Williams Saturday, March 12, 2022 8:33 AM Senate Education SB 140

Good morning,

I am writing this email to express my support for SB 140 The Even Playing Field Act.

It is a proven fact that biological males have more muscle mass than females. Even when given testosterone blocking drugs during the sex transition process, males retain much of their musculature. Consequently, these persons have a much greater advantage when competing with biological females in any physical sport.

This bill does help to keep sports fair and equitable between the sexes.

Thank you for your consideration,

Kathleen Williams RN

Chugiak, Ak



From: Sent: To: Subject: Maria Ivanov Saturday, March 12, 2022 8:44 AM Senate Education Sb 140

Hello,

I'm a parent who lives in state of Alaska and I fully support sb 140 bill for our biological girls.

Thank you, Maria

From: Sent: To: Subject: Julie Barrow Saturday, Marth 12, 2022 8:47 AM Senate Education Support SB140

I am writing in support of SB140. Women teams/leagues were formed because of the obvious physical advantages men have over women. I believe SB140 ensures that women are treated fairly and not disadvantaged in athletic programs compared to male bodied athletes.

Thank you, Julie Barrow

From: Sent: To: Subject: Anna Marsan Saturday, March 12, 2022 8:53 AM Senate Education SB 140

Hello, I'm writing to express my full support for bill SB 140. Biological males are stronger and faster than biological females. That's fact.

If you allowed trans athletes to compete in women's sports, they would have an unfair advantage.

New Zealand weightlifter Laurel Hubbard won two gold medals at the Pacific Games, and college senior <u>CeCé Telfer</u> became the NCAA Division II national champion in the 400-meter run. Another senior, June Eastwood, has been instrumental to her cross-country team's <u>success</u>. At the high school level, Terry Miller won the girls' 200-meter dash at <u>Connecticut's state open championship track meet</u>. - Wired

These are just a few examples that show that biological males, trump females in sports.

God made man and women different. Both sex's are unique and valuable and needed and they compliment each other very well. But to throw in a biological male in a womens team would be setting a bar high for the females on the team. They'd be trying to compete against the stronger, faster sex. Constantly trying to be better, try harder, etc. You'd be making them work twice as hard to achieve the same success as their trans teammate/competition. What are you going to do when the only ones getting scholarships are the trans athletes?

I see too many problems with letting transgenders play online womens sports. That is why I support bill SB 140. I plead that you will take the step to protect women's sports and not allow more unfair advantages to come about.

- Anna Ford Wasilla, AK

From: Sent: To: Subject: Joe Alwar Saturday, March 12, 2022 9:07 AM Senate Education S.B. 140

Hello Alaska Senators,

It is imperative Senate Bill 140 becomes law to ensure a fair and level playing field for girls participating in high school sports.

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As the former head referee at the Alaska State Track & Field Championships, it is vital this bill becomes law to resolidify the foundation from which officials are required by the National Federation High School (NFHS) rules to adhere. There are 3 key references to "fairness" addressed by this organization which all governing bodies follow in all high school sports in the USA. In the Foreward section of the 2021-2022 NFHS Track & Field Officials Manual it is declared that all "Track & Field officials shall provide each athlete with an opportunity for safe and equitable standards of competition." The second reference can be found on page 4 under the Philosophy and Ethics section of this manual. It cites the following, "Focus is on fair competition...". And, finally, the first item listed under the referee's duties during a meet, found on page 11 of the 2021-2022 NFHS Track & Field Officials Manual, shows the following: "Directly responsible for ensuring fair competition."

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Thank you,

Joe Alward, Alaskan and volunteer high school official

From: Sent: To: Subject: CHRIS SAWYER Saturday, March 12, 2022 9:07 AM Senate Education SB 140

Good morning,

I support SB 140. Transgender females should not be allowed to compete against biological females in sports or other physical activities. Even though the transgender female may be taking drugs to make them less male and more female, the transgender female still has more body strength and muscle strength. Typically transgender females beat biological females in races. Where is the fairness in that? We need to protect our biological females. Eliminating this will make bio females less likely to earn scholarships, win races, be on competitive teams. Allowing transgender females to compete will eventually reduce the number of biological females from competing as they will know no matter what they do they cannot win. Females are already discriminated against, don't make them more discriminated by allowing females who were once males to take their place.

Thank you.

Chris Sawyer Big Lake, AK

From: Sent: To: Subject: Sherri Jackson Saturday, March 12, 2022 9:09 AM Senate Education SB140

The Even Playing Field Act needs to pass. Girls should not be forced to compete with boys in sports. This discrimination has to stop!

Thank you Sherri Jackson

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William H Gilbert Saturday, March 12, 2022 9:10 AM Sen. Shelley Hughes SB140

To: Members of the Education Committee: From: William H. Gilbert, 535 S. Williwaw Dr., Palmer AK Date: 12 March 2022

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That situation reminds me of the familiar Story of Little Red Riding Hood who enters her grandmother's room to encounter a big, bad male wolf impersonating the grandmother and threatening the life and opportunities of Little Red Riding Hood!

Christine Greig Saturday, March 12, 2022 9:13 AM Senate Education Sen. Shelley Hughes SB140- The Even Playing Field Act

**Respected Legislators,** 

I am writing today to make known my strong support for SB140. My husband was a volunteer girls basketball shooting coach in the Valley during the nineties and I saw first hand the vulnerability of our young women in sports during their teen years. I believe SB140 would be highly detrimental to our girls and women playing sports. I respectfully ask you to pass The Even Playing Field Act SB140.

Thank You, Christine Greig Powell Wasilla, AK

Sherri Jackson Saturday, March 12, 2022 9:16 AM Sen. Shelley Hughes SB140

**Senator Hughes** 

Thank you for sponsoring SB140. The Even Playing Field Act MUST pass. Girls and women should not be forced to compete against biological males. Period.

This woke insanity has got to stop! Even my chickens know the difference between boys and girls.

Sherri Jackson

Bilafer Family Saturday, March 12, 2022 9:20 AM Senate Education SB140

Alaska Legislators,

I highly encourage you to support SB140.

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Francine W. Bilafer Palmer, Alaska

David Anderson Saturday, March 12, 2022 9:24 AM Senate Education SB140

I fully support Sb140 Please vote YES to ensure equality for biological girls sports Marilyn Anderson

JP B Saturday, March 12, 2022 9:24 AM Senate Education No SB 140

Dear AK legislators,

As a father of 6 children who competed in HS and college sports, I strongly support SB 140 and so should you! Please support fair competition and pass this bill.

Jude Bilafer

Francesca A Saturday, March 12, 2022 9:28 AM Senate Education; Sen. Shelley Hughes Sb 140 public testimony

Senate Education Committee,

I support Sb 140.

Protect women's sports. Protect women's rights. Please pass SB140. Men and women are physically not equal on the playing field. We need to go by genetic gender makeup not feelings. Please listen to Alaskans not outside special interests. Women did not fight for equal rights for men to take over women's sports.

Thank you Francesca Allegrezza

Saturday, March 12, 2022 9:29 AM Senate Education SB 140

I can see a rationale for this. There is a trans female swimmer who is shattering records because she is a biologic male and has that advantage. She transited in high school I think. The question I ask here is... why are only male events limited to people of the biologic male sex. Just to be fair it should be everybody. Sex separated events should be by biologic sex. Maybe have a trans category or an open category that includes trans athletes. I would also have a way for someone who maybe transited young enough that though biologicly male they are within female limits to be declared a biologic female. Also if they are young enough, it shouldn't matter. A five year old biologic boy who lets his hair grow and sits down in the bathroom does not have any advantage over the other five year old girls. I have read of people who knew they were the wrong sex as early as four or five. And the law provides for circumstances that may not come up often.

The way I would frame this is keeping things fair for certain body types. I might not even use genders. With the trans movement you can have men who are XXs. Therefore a rule like this could be declared fair for testosterone limited individuals and gender doesn't come up at all.

I hope some of this is worth your time reading.

Respectfully Pam Siegfried Anchorage AK

Maggie Joyner Saturday, March 12, 2022 9:35 AM Senate Education Women sports

Only biological woman should complete together.

A thousand years from now if the bones of a trans woman is dug up, anthropologists will say that it is a man regardless of the feelings that person had.

M. Joyner

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William Powell Saturday, March 12, 2022 9:43 AM Sen. Shelley Hughes SB 140-Even Playing Field

I feel strongly that women have the right to play their own games without any boys or men. So I fully support SB 140.

William Powell

Debbie Rathbun Saturday, March 12, 2022 9:58 AM Senate Education senator.shelly.hughes@akleg.gov; Debbie Rathbun Support SB140 to protect women's sports in Alaska

Hello Senators, Vote Yes on SB140 to protect women's sports in Alaska.

Women competing in sports should not be forced to compete with anyone who is not a biological female. Boys and girls should compete in sports with their own biological sex. It will be safer for all involved. Thank you, Debbie Rathbun Fairbanks, Alaska

Sent from my iPad



Delayna Davis Saturday, March 12, 2022 10:06 AM Sen. Shelley Hughes Support for SB140

My name is Delayna West I am in support of SB140 Even the playing field act, So Alaska girls and women won't be discriminated against in women's sports. Thank you for your time.

| From:    | Chaplain Randy Hillman  |
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| Sent:    | Saturday, March 12, 2022 10:07 AM   |
| То:      | Sen. Shelley Hughes   |
| Subject: | Please pass SB140 so girls and women in Alaska won't be discriminated against in sports |
| ,        | in our schools!"  |

Hi Senator Hughes, <u>Please pass SB140 so girls and women in Alaska won't be discriminated against in sports in our schools!</u>"

Sincerely, Fr. Randy Hillman + Valley Anglicann Fellowship Church - Palmer/Wasilla area

Patrick Hopper Saturday, March 12, 2022 10:09 AM Senate Education SB 140 , Please pass this important bill, Thankyou.

stephensteste00 Saturday, March 12, 2022 10:12 AM Sen. Shelley Hughes SB140

Stephen west district 31/6 I support SB140 even the playing field

Kelly Gordon Saturday, March 12, 2022 10:13 AM Senate Education SB140 support

Honorable Senators,

We need the Even Playing Field Act in Alaska. Not just for young women today, but also for women in generations to come. Please act today by voting YES for SB 140. V/R

Steve Gordon Palmer, Alaska

Sent from Steve's iPad US

Claudia Hopper Saturday, March 12, 2022 10:18 AM Senate Education SB140

To our Alaska legislatures, I am simply writing to let you know that I am a family or in support of SB 140 which would not allow biological males to compete with biological females in the area of sports. Thank you for considering my opinion.

Claudia Hopper.

Wasilla, AK

barbara keys Saturday, March 12, 2022 10:18 AM Senate Education Vote YES on SB 140

Dear Education Committee Members,

I am writing to request that you vote YES on SB 140 to ensure both equality and safety for Alaskan athletes.

There is no question about the fact that males have an advantage over females in athletic competitions. I am not proposing an anti-LGBTQ bill. I am asking for equality that can only be present when females are competing against genetically born females. When both Martina Navratilova and Caitlyn Jenner both support legislation like SB 140, it should confirm this is not a political agenda.

To simplify it further- if a thoroughbred horse and a pony were in a race; who would we expect to win? Do we not owe it to the athletes of Alaska to provide even playing fields for them?

Thank you for your consideration, Barb Keys Fairbanks, AK

Adam Christiansen Saturday, March 12, 2022 10:24 AM Senate Education Sen. Shelley Hughes SB140 Support

## **Good Morning!**

My name is Adam Christiansen, I am from Palmer Alaska, I represent myself and I would like to voice my full support for SB140. I have coached both young men and young women in Alaska high school sports, and for them to learn the lessons they are meant to be learning from athletics, they need fair competition from their biological same-sex peers.

Many have said and are now saying that passage of this bill would mean discrimination towards transgenders, but in fact not passing this bill would be doing them a disservice while at the same time turning a back on extraordinary, hard-working young women in Alaska athletics.

Once again, I completely support SB140 and urge the legislature to do so as well!

Sincerely, Adam C.

Jerry and Carol Mikos Saturday, March 12, 2022 10:34 AM Senate Education; Sen. Shelley Hughes SB140

As a 68 year old former athlete, I remember very well the days when there was no outlet for women's sports. The battle to get athletics into high schools was a long and hard battle and passage of this bill would ensure that women and girls will be able to compete fairly. I encourage you to pass SB140 to stop discrimination against women and girls. Thank you for your consideration, Carol Mikos

From: Sent: To:

Subject:

Lindsay Williams Saturday, March 12, 2022 10:38 AM Sen. Roger Holland; Sen. Gary Stevens; Sen. Shelley Hughes; Sen. Peter Micciche; Sen. Tom Begich; Senate Education Support Testimony for SB 140

SB 140 Support

My name is Lindsay Williams from Anchorage, and I am calling in today representing myself and my support for SB 140. I was a member of the first NCAA Division 2 recognized women's cross country running team at the University of Alaska Anchorage in 2000. I was awarded an athletic scholarship for running and continued to compete at the collegiate level until 2004 when I ruptured my Achilles tendon in the anchor leg of the 4x400 race. From a young age, I knew that sports would have to be my ticket to college. My brother and I were raised by a single mom and I was planning on being the first person in my family to earn a bachelor degree. I am so thankful that I was given the opportunity to compete for UAA and get my diploma. I am testifying today in hopes that the same opportunities I had will be available for future young girls with dreams of attending college and competing in athletics at the highest levels.

When you are a collegiate athlete, the training and preparation is not for the faint at heart. I pushed my body to limits I never thought possible. I ran faster than I knew I could and yet my abilities never came close to those of the athletes on the men's team. Did you know that in college cross country running, men and women even race different distances? Men race an 8k and women race a 5k in regular season and at nationals, men race a 10k and women race a 6k. To give you an example of men's and women's running abilities I will read a few results from the NCAA Division 1 Track and Field Championships.

100 Meter-Men 10.11, Women 10.74

800 Meter-Men 1:44.68, Women 2:00.28

1500 Meter-Men 3:35.35, Women 4:08.53

10,000 Meter-Men 27:41.87, Women 32:16.13

I am glad that **equality** for men's and women's sports exists today. If you want to participate in sports, all individuals currently have the opportunity to do so and this bill doesn't change that. But what I believe SB 140 does, is preserve the **equity** in athletics. When biological females compete against biological females and biological males compete against biological males, the playing field is level.

I am now a high school cross country running and track and field coach. I am also a youth flag football coach and soccer coach for co-ed teams. I love athletics and the lessons it teaches our youth. I support preserving equity in athletics and that is why I support SB 140.

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Saturday, March 12, 2022 10:41 AM Senate Education Written Testimony on SB 140

Mr. Chair and members of the Committee, my name is Joanna McDowell, I am from Juneau, and I am representing myself. I would like to testify in favor of SB140, which seeks to protect the rights of girls and women to compete in sports on a level playing field. This bill does not, contrary to many statements, seek to prevent transgender people from participating in sports. It merely asks them to compete in the category that corresponds with their physical body. Just like everyone else.

- Sports are played with physical bodies, not gender identities
- Sports categories are based on observable physical attributes such as sex, age, and weight.

• Male and female peoples' bodies are of fundamentally different designs. These differences are vital to the consideration of fairness in sport. In addition to the advantages provided by testosterone, male bodied people have:

o Disproportionately greater heart and lung capacity compared to females of the same size

- o More fast-twitch muscle fiber
- o Greater bone density
- o Longer limbs

o Different angles of arm and leg that allow greater leverage in actions like throwing, and jumping.

• Female peoples' bodies, on the other hand, give up many physical strength, leverage, and heartlung capacity advantages to allow for the possibility that they may gestate other human beings. Their organs must be prepared to shift and make room, ligaments stretch, the pelvis must be broader, etc. to allow for this possibility. And let us remember that without these features of the female body, none of us would exist.

• Any effort, therefore, to allow male bodied people, however they identify, to compete in women's sport categories robs women and girls of their right to fair competition. It tells our daughters and granddaughters that they are simply not entitled to fair competition. Is that the message that any of us want to send to the women and girls of Alaska? If you value Alaska's women and girls as full human beings, I ask you to pass this bill. Thank you.

Saturday, March 12, 2022 10:43 AM Senate Education SB 140

My name is Michael Garhart from Wasilla Alaska, representing myself; I am in favor of SB 140 The fair playing act; Biological males should not be participating in Female Sports! It is unfair, ludicrous, and insane! If Government & some citizens wish for Transgender Sports, then they should have their own leagues separate from other sports.

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Karmelle Deile Saturday, March 12, 2022 10:46 AM Senate Education; Sen. Shelley Hughes SB140 support

I would strongly request that you pass SB140 in support of women's sports so girls and women won't be discriminated against in sports in our schools.

Respectfully, Karmelle Deile

Anchorage, AK. 99518

From: Sent: To:

Subject:

Veronica Lambertsen Saturday, March 12, 2022 10:58 AM Sen. Roger Holland; Sen. Gary Stevens; Sen. Shelley Hughes; Sen. Peter Micciche; Sen. Tom Begich SB 140 Approve

Blessings to you all this day!

Senator Roger Holland Senator Gary Stevens Senator Shelly Hughes Senator Peter Micciche Senator Tom Begich

Our children need your help in securing their ability to play athletic sports with their opponents in a biologically equal comparison. Where girls may compete with girls and boys may compete with boys. While we understand some sports competitions are based on coeducational or mixed. We concur it needs to be protected that athletes be identified according to the biological sex FROM Birth as Our Creator intended each athlete to be.

Thank you for taking on this needed change for our youth who are struggling through this offense that is causing confusion and bringing unfair hardship to the athletic sports that our youth enjoys,

Veronica Lambertsen

Bird Creek, Ak 99540

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David Nees Saturday, March 12, 2022 11:00 AM Sen. Shelley Hughes; Sen. Roger Holland SB 140 support from a 30 year experience coach

I support SB 140,

As a coach for my entire 30 teaching career in Anchorage in Track and Field, Cross country skiing and Cross countdy running I have first hand knowledge of physilogical differences between Female and Male athletes. As Junior High, Middle School and High school Coach I can tell you males and females are prstty even until puberty. Then in the middle school and High School males add muscle mass and strength and Females lose their equity. It is not a equality issue it is a protection issue, you must support segregated sports. David Nees

Anchorage Ak 99502

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From: Sent: To: B D

Saturday, March 12, 2022 11:01 AM

Sen. Roger Holland; Sen. Gary Stevens; Sen. Shelley Hughes; Sen. Peter Micciche; Sen. Tom Begich; Senate Education Support for SB 140

Subject:

Good morning,

I am writing to support Sen. Shelley Hughes' Even the Playing Field bill, SB 140. I am not representing any particular group except female athletes in Alaska.

Being a God-created female, I stand behind this bill because it will provide protection for biological women and girls in sports. It would preserve the gains won in Title IX in the 1970s. It will protect biological females against unfair competition with biological males.

God created male and female and provided each with unique qualities. The male is stronger by design. This gives an advantage when competing in sports. I believe if a biological male wants to compete in sports, he should compete against other biological males, no matter what he may believe he is. He should not be able to have an unfair advantage over biological females.

I was on the call just before your system crashed and was able to hear one caller's testimony. He said that sports is not about winning or losing, however it could most certainly be about a biological female winning or losing a scholarship due to the unfair advantage that a biological male has over a biological female.

Please do not punish females by giving in to an agenda that is promoting confusion in our children. Males need to know they are males, females need to know they are females. God created them that way for a specific purpose. Let's promote that.

Thank you so very much for reading my email in support of SB 140! I would request that you act accordingly and pass this bill.

Blessings to you, Rebecca DeBusk

Palmer, AK 99645

Jackie Ivie Saturday, March 12, 2022 11:08 AM Sen. Shelley Hughes; Senate Education SB140

My name is Jacquelyn Goforth. I reside in Palmer. I have been on hold 7 times (2 different numbers) since 10:28 trying to testify in person about this bill.

I will now send an email and hope it gets through.

I am completely for SB 140. There is no scientific or physical reason that a biological male should ever compete in womans sporting event NONE.

Non-binary and gender non-specific labels are non-scientific and can only exist if a person is conscious. There are only two genders/sexes.

To support this logic, I posit a scenario wherein a plane crashes and tragically all aboard are burned beyond recognition. The bodies will be transported to the morgue and all of them will have a toe tag that says either JANE DOE or JOHN DOE, because once a person is unconscious, their actual physical DNA is encoded with their sex at conception.

1 am still on hold. It is now 11:07

Jackie

Carol Carman Saturday, March 12, 2022 11:09 AM Senate Education Sen. Shelley Hughes SB 140

It is an atrocity to let men steal women's sports. You, if you are reasonable individuals who respect women, should pass SB 140 out of committee.

Carol Carman D29 Chair home / msg) Facebook

John Vinduska Saturday, March 12, 2022 11:14 AM Senate Education SB 140 The Even Playing Field Act

I strongly support SB 140 The Even Playing Field Act!! Girls should not have to compete with biological men!! John Vinduska

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From: Sent: To: Subject: Holly Kroon Saturday, March 12, 2022 11:24 AM Sen. Shelley Hughes Protect our girls

Dear Senator Hughes,

Please pass SB140 so girls and women in Alaska won't be discriminated against in sports in our schools.

Thank you, Holly Kroon

Shelly Erickson, Saturday, March 12, 2022 11:25 AM Sen. Shelley Hughes SB140

l fully support SB140 Shelly Erickson Homer,Ak

Cah GCI Saturday, March 12, 2022 11:28 AM senate.education@ak.gov; Senate Education Sb140 transgender ban

I support this legislation!

Christine Hutchison House District 30/Senate District O

Convention of States project State director

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Ty Miller Saturday, March 12, 2022 11:43 AM Senate Education Re: Support SB 104

It is reprehensible to allow biological men to compete at any level with men.

Sorry, auto correct caught me. I meant men should not compete with "Women".

Do not allow the left wing LGBTQ crowed to destroy women's sports.

Ty Miller "Let's go Brandon"

## Sent from my mobile device. Please excuse my typing errors.

Sharla Erickson Saturday, March 12, 2022 12:02 PM Senate Education SB 140- the Even Playing Field Act

Please vote yes and pass SB 140 so girls and women in Alaska won't be discriminated against in sports in our schools! Common sense tells you that when it comes to sports, biological females should only compete against biological females. For a biological male to compete against biological females in sports is cheating. I look forward to seeing your vote YES on SB 140. Sharla Erickson Wasilla, AK

Peter Browning Saturday, March 12, 2022 12:23 PM Senate Education SB 140

Please approve SB 140 to protect young women from being overshadowed by genetic men in their sports. These young women have dedicated their lives to a sport only to have their dreams ripped away by someone like Lia Thomas who is genetically superior to them. I hope your daughters never have to go through what has happened with anyone who has completed as a woman against Lia Thomas. Thank you.

Pete Browning

Jackie Marshall Saturday, March 12, 2022 12:27 PM Senate Education Protect women's sports in Alaska

To Whom it May Concern,

My name is Jackie Marshall. I am a longtime community member of Seward, Alaska. Both my husband and I coached cross country running in our community. I coached at the middle school level and my husband coached at the high school level for 23 years. We have been active in the running community of Seward and have worked with countless youth in our community in both athletics and academics.

I support SB 140, the Even the Playing Field Act, which Senator Shelly Hughes has introduced to ensure public school women's sports remain exclusively for women and are not infringed upon by biological males.

I believe with every fiber in my body that women's sports must be protected! I know beyond a shadow of a doubt that a female's athletic hopes and dreams and hard work should not be exploited by a biological male's decision to identify as female.

Thank you in advance for supporting fair athletic opportunities for the young women of Alaska!

Respectfully,

Jackie Marshall Jacqueline J Pepi-Marshall

Seward, Alaska 99664

Michael Chase Saturday, March 12, 2022 12:38 PM Senate Education SB 140

My name is Michael Chase, I live in Kasilof Ak. I want to weigh in on SB140. I STRONGLY support SB 140. This bill is about protecting our girls in athletics. If a boy wants to identify as a girl that is his choice and I do not have a problem with that. If that boy wants compete against girls, that is not only unfair but potentially dangerous mostly for the girls. This is not about being prejudiced against transgender kids. It is about leveling the playing field in athletics. I do not hear any girls trying to join boys teams on equal footing. This is about boys trying to impose their will on girls in sports. This bill should be supported. This group is only a small percentage of the population and we are in the process of letting the small group dictate to the vast majority how we have to live.

Thank you

**Michael Chase** 

Sarah Warren Saturday, March 12, 2022 1:10 PM Senate Education SB140

Please protect the future of biological female athletes. Vote yes on SB140! Thank you! Sarah Warren

Margreat R Kirby Saturday, March 12, 2022 1:11 PM Sen. Shelley Hughes SB 140- in support

I am writing in support of Alaska's Senate Bill 140. All student athletes should have a fair opportunity to participate and compete in athletics. Forcing girls and women to compete against male-bodied athletes removes them immediately from any fair competition. This results in discrimination and loss of spots on teams, championships, and scholarships. Female athletes are not being treated equally. Female athletes are losing out on life-long opportunities just because a male wishes he were a female at that moment. In reality this person is genetically a male. If the male wants to compete then let him compete against other male-bodied athletes. When forced to compete against other male-bodied athletes, the girls and women should start walking off the athletic field in protest. This Senate Bill should pass so our girls and women are treated fairly.

Sincerely,

**Margie Kirby** 

ShaLene Jorgensen Saturday, March 12, 2022 1:37 PM Senate Education SB 140

I am writing this email in support of bill SB 140, that would prohibit boys and men to participate in girl sports. This issue concerns me greatly. I think it is extremely inappropriate to allow situations where boys and girls would be sharing bathrooms, locker rooms, showers, or hotel rooms. I totally respect a person's decision to identify as a different gender, but I do not agree with allowing biological boys and girls together just because they identify as a gender not their own. We are not protecting the children that identify as their own gender. It is inflicting to their privacy. We are not considering what this would do to those that decide to identify to their own gender. I feel it opens a HUGE door for lawsuits for those that decide to abuse this freedom, and "say" they identify as another gender, only to get permission to get into a different locker room.

If a child identifies as a gender other than their biological gender, that is fine. But when it inflicts upon others who actually identify with their biological gender, we need to protect their rights as well. If a child and their family feel so strongly about them identifying as another gender, they have all the rights to be able to change that medically. In that case, if the "plumbing" is the same, that's who they can identify with in regards to what bathroom or locker room they use.

Sincerely ShaLene Jorgensen Sent from my iPhone

Chris and Jordana Long Saturday, March 12, 2022 1:53 PM Senate Education SB 140

To the Senate Education Committee:

My name is Jordana Long. I am a 13-year resident of Kodiak, Alaska. I am writing to express my support of SB 140.

Our great State of Alaska has many times affirmed a commitment its genetically female population, which is at high risk of domestic violence and sexual assault. Additionally, our underage population is at an embarrassingly statistically greater risk of childhood sexual grooming and assault than most of the Lower 48 states. As part of Alaska's commitment to protect women, children, and families, SB 140 is vitally necessary legislation.

This bill protects the rights of genetic females in sports. Participation in youth sports has been shown to confer many benefits to females: Increased academic performance, college attendance, and confidence; and lowered risk of anxiety, depression, and suicidal ideation and attempts.

Multiple states in recent years have introduced transgender sports bans, rightly noting that an underperforming genetic male can suddenly excel in sports by "changing genders," identifying as a woman, and competing against genetic females who lack the statistically faster and stronger physiology of genetic males. This undermines everything that has been achieved over the years by Title IX, destroying the equivalent but not equal playing field that has allowed genetic females to attain all the benefits of excelling in sports, including the financial benefits of scholarships. This creates a cascade of negative impacts on females, who would be deprived of competition and university opportunities, which leads to deprivation of career opportunities and financial security.

Additionally, Alaska had the highest rape rate in the US in 2020: 154.8 rapes per 100,000 inhabitants. It is inconceivable that allowing genetic males access to female restrooms, changing rooms, and locker rooms, simply because they say they "feel like women," could possibly lower this statistic. This is aside from the fact that genetically female students will be discouraged from participating in sports in the first place due to the discomfort they will experience from being forced to undress in the same space as genetic males, as well as being forced to view exposed genetically male bodies without consent—which in itself constitutes a form of sexual assault.

Time and again, the children of Alaska have been immeasurably harmed by governmental policies that purport to know better than their families how children should be raised. These failed initiatives not only horrendously overstepped the rights of parents, but inflicted wounds on the next generations that no change of policy could ever heal.

As our state government, the onus is on you to protect our citizens, especially the most vulnerable among us. Protect our girls. Protect their bodies. Protect their futures. Don't cave to the woke mob; it won't placate them, and the harm it will do will be irreparable.

Thank you,

Jordana Long

Amanda Nalewaja Saturday, March 12, 2022 2:09 PM Senate Education Sen. Shelley Hughes SB 140 - Opposed - Vote No

Hello,

My name is Amanda and I am child & adolescent mental health professional in Anchorage.

Anti-trans legislation has no place in Alaska. Our kids need support, not targets on their back.

Bills like SB140, which prohibits trans kids from playing sports are not what we need to be focusing on right now — or ever. It's time we focus on what's really important for Alaskans—not fringe legislation that exploits misinformation and hurts our community.

SB140 will lead to increased mental health challenges & suicidality among an already vulnerable population and is not in line with Alaska's values of nondiscrimination. What would Elizabeth Peratrovich think?

Alaska is better than this. Trans kids deserve the same amount of dignity and respect as any other student. I urge you to vote no on any and all discriminatory legislation that targets trans youth.

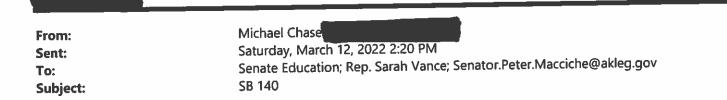
Thank you, - Amanda Nalewaja

Kelly Gordon Saturday, March 12, 2022 2:18 PM Senate Education; Sen. Shelley Hughes SB140

Sir/Ma'am,

I support SB140! God made males and females different. If you choose to "follow the science" you know that biologically they are not the same. Competing as though they are is a sham, and an insult to females that work very hard to excel in their sports. Please pass SB140!

Thank you, Kelly Gordon



I am Michael Chase, I live in Kasilof AK. 99610.

I have sat and listened to several hours of testimony about SB 140. I have realized that this bill was proposed to help protect our girls in athletics. What I heard overwhelmingly was how we as a population need to recognize and support the transgender community mostly in Fairbanks.. It was apparent early on that this group was given talking points and organized to flood the phone lines. They basically hijacked the meeting to express their views on how we need to support their agenda ( stop all suicides by transgenders and gays, and stop all bullying in school toward transgender and gays. No voice was given to bullying by transgenders (which I have personally witnessed)} But I digress, This bill is meant to protect our girls from the abuse of competing against boys. The bill is moral and simple and should be supported for the health and safety of our girls ( which are many more in number than those others) and their athletic programs. We are at a point in time where ( I believe I heard someone say 7% of us are transgender) a small percentage of our population is dictating how we should live ( the tail wagging the dog). WE need to stand up for what is right not "politically correct". Let's put some common sense (which isn't so common anymore) back into our government.

## Respectfully

## **Michael Chase**

PS: The topic of bullying etc. is a topic for another day and in it's time probably needs to addressed. today and this bill shouldn't have been that time.

mel C Saturday, March 12, 2022 2:48 PM Senate Education From melisa wharton

In 1975 I won a title 9 Women's Athletic College Scholarship . I played Field Hockey , competing against other woman, and and had free 4 years of College. I was honored to receive the scholarship. it was tough enough to compete against other woman . I was Never able to compete against men in Sports . Not fair. They are way too strong . IF that same Athletic scholarship was open to men and women, I would not have won that college scholarships. I was the first in my extended family to attend college, thanks to that scholarship . We were low income family, and the Athletic scholarship was the way I could afford college . I was so appreciative that I could graduate and get a professional career because of that college degree.

For this reason I am completely against men and women competing against each other in sports .that would ruin Woman Sports. Transvestite Athletes should not compete against Women in Sports. Thank you ,

Melisa Wharton

PAM WEAVER Saturday, March 12, 2022 2:53 PM Senate Education SB 140

We are in favor of SB 140 for the obvious reason of keeping girls athletics a competition amongst females. Pam and Greg Weaver

Saturday, March 12, 2022 3:04 PM Senate Education SB 140 Even Playing Field Act

Importance:

High

Dear Education Committee Members

Please pass SB 140 to ensure women's athletics programs in our public schools are actually reserved for women – not biological men. A transgender person born a male but proclaiming to be a female doesn't give them the right to compete against women and eliminate the women's hopes, dreams and hard work. The reality is males have an absolute advantage in athletics. Females need and *deserve* space to have fair competition. I have daughters and granddaughters who are athletes and I demand they be treated fairly and not disadvantaged in athletic programs compared to male-bodied athletes.

Sports for girls in Alaska have always been for girls only. Let's keep it that way. Male-bodied athletes should have their own sports set aside just for them to compete against each other which would be more fair for all. It is just common sense!

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Lou Anne Curley

Lisa Stafford Saturday, March 12, 2022 3:32 PM Sen. Shelley Hughes SB140

Hi Shelley,

I am Fully in support of the SB140 Even Playing Field Act so Alaska's girls and women won't be discriminated against in women sports! Sincerely,

Lisa Stafford Homer, Ak

From: Sent: To: Subject: Attachments: Colleen Leonard Saturday, March 12, 2022 3:38 PM Sen. Shelley Hughes Written testimony for SB 140 Female athletes csl 2022.docx

Dear Shelley, I was unable to call in today for verbal testimony but wanted to provide written testimony if you could please forward to Chair Holland and Committee members for their consideration. Most sincerely, Colleen

Colleen Sullivan-Leonard

Dear Senate Education Committee;

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I would like to offer testimony regarding Senate Bill 140, "An Act relating to school athletics, recreation, athletic teams and sports."

As we have seen across the nation, many states are passing legislation that bans biological males from competing in Women's sports. The goal of SB 140 is to make competitive sports fair for females, especially in terms of the biological differences between the two sexes and placing athletes on the teams according to their biological makeup and not their desired status.

We know that there are biological differences between men and women. As reported by David Epstein, Sports illustrated senior writer and author of The Sports Gene: Inside the Science of Extraordinary Athletic Performance, notes, "Thanks in large part to testosterone, men are generally heavier and taller than women. They have longer limbs relative to their height, bigger hearts and lungs, less fat, denser bones, more oxygen-carrying red blood cells, heavier skeletons that support more muscle—80 percent more in the upper body, on average ... and narrower hips that make for more efficient running and decrease the chance of injury."

Scientific evidence shows that how men's and women's brains are structured, wired and work are inherently different and that those differences may contribute to differences in behavior and cognition. We already know that males and females differ at the structural, cognitive, processing and physical level, starting possibly near or even before birth. What that tells us is that a biological male, regardless of subjective perspective, and even regardless of taking steroid suppressors or other hormones or drugs in the hopes to better imitate femaleness, does not, in fact, become biologically female.

Those in opposition to equal rights for women athletes want to tie Title VII into an act for equality for biological males to compete in women's sports, but this applies to employment issues—specifically, that a person cannot be fired solely for sexual orientation or expression if it is not an integral part of the job. This is not the case for women athletes, Title IX of the Education Amendments Act of 1972, was designed to ensure that women were free of sex discrimination in education and athletics so that they could have the opportunity to participate competitively, to move to the next level, to compete for scholarships and potentially even launch their own athletics, and women fought long and hard to earn the equal athletic opportunities that Title IX provides," says Alliance Defending Freedom legal counsel Christiana Holcomb. Further, she asserts, "allowing boys to compete in girls' sports reverses nearly 50 years of advances for women under this law. We shouldn't force these young women to be spectators in their own sports."

Before Title IX, women and girls were routinely excluded from educational opportunities based on sex. Allowing biological males to compete with women will continue this discrimination, this shutting of doors. Those who advocate for biological males to compete as females rely on the premise that gender is a choice and that that mental act of choice creates biological gender, with or without the use of drugs. They argue that a biological male is female simply because he thinks or wishes it to be true. But that is based on the fictional belief, not fact. Psychiatrist and noted author, Theodore Dalrympl states, "When a man who claims to have become a woman competes in women's athletic competitions, he often retains an advantage derived from the sex of his birth." The drugs used to suppress certain hormones or create others do not alter the biological sex of that individual, and thus, do not eradicate the difference and advantage of being biologically male in competition against biological females.

Students do have access to spots on competitive college or university teams. In fact, Athletic programs select students for teams based on their athletic skill or lack of skill. Not all make it onto a team. That is in line with the very reality of differences in athletic skill and ability and the nature of competitive sports. Students can try out for the team they are biologically assigned to and the spot or position they are athletically qualified for.

Biological males who wish to be females and biological males who wish to be something else alike may earn a spot on the men's team. In like fashion, biological women, regardless of wish or self-image, have a chance for the women's team. That is rational, and it is fair for our biologically female athletes. That is what is intended by Title IX. The Education Amendments all together were intended to echo the important concept in the U.S. Constitution of liberty, equal freedom from arbitrary or unreasonable restraint, not equal outcome.

Thank you for your time, I am in full support of SB 140 and hope it will have the full backing of Senate and House to passage in the legislature.

Sincerely,

Colleen

**Colleen Sullivan-Leonard** 

Wasilla State House Legislator, 2017-2021

Lisa Stafford Saturday, March 12, 2022 3:41 PM Senate Education SB140

To Whom this may concern:

I am Fully in support of the SB140 Even Playing Field Act so Alaska's girls and women won't be discriminated against in women sports! Sincerely,

Lisa Stafford

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Homer, Ak

From: Sent: To:

Subject:

Leigh Sloan

Saturday, March 12, 2022 3:56 PM Sen. Roger Holland; Sen. Shelley Hughes; Sen. Peter Micciche; Sen. Tom Begich; Sen. Gary Stevens SB 140

Dear Senators,

This is women's history month. But we are facing threats that might mean the end of women's history in sports if we don't work to preserve it.

Senate Bill 140 would protect women from being forced to compete with individuals who were born male. When you are born male, there are certain things that don't change about your body, bone structure and often, muscle mass.

Here is a quote from famous transgender athlete Caitlyn Jenner, "I oppose biological boys who are trans competing in girls' sports in school. It just isn't fair. And we have to protect girls' sports in our schools." Who better understands the concerns of both the sports world and the transgender community than Jenner?

If needed, there can be a separate category for trans athletes, but leave the girls alone to compete with their biological peers free from the complications of hormones that are introduced in the process of sex transitioning and free from the confusion that occurs when operating with a fundamentally differing biological makeup.

If we don't pass this bill, we remain at risk of demoralizing athletic girls and diminishing their chance to shine in sports for years to come. It would be a huge step backwards for women's rights.

Leigh Sloan

Director of Alaska Parents' Rights in Education Resident of East Anchorage

Saturday, March 12, 2022 4:18 PM Senate Education SB 140

Dear Senators:

I strongly support SB 140. Please vote for SB 140 so that girls and women in Alaska will not be discriminated against in sports in our schools.

Sincerely, Mary Anne Green

Rachel Wilson Saturday, March 12, 2022 4:18 PM Senate Education SB 140

Dear Senate Education Committee,

Please know that proclaiming to be a female doesn't give you the right to compete against women and eliminate their hopes and dreams and hard work.

I support SB 140, (the Even Playing Field Act)

My daughter was born this year on January 4th and I want to ensure her future in sports is FAIR and that she does NOT compete against biological males.

Thank you,

**Rachel Roy** 

Velvet Heffner Saturday, March 12, 2022 5:21 PM Senate Education SB140

Please fully support this bill. Thank you, Velvet Danielson, Soldotna

Terry & Nancy Kelly Saturday, March 12, 2022 5:22 PM Senate Education SB 140

I am writing in support of SB 140, the Even Playing Field Act. This act is not discriminatory. On the contrary, this act is meant to protect the rights of women in women's sports. Without this protection, "women's" sports will disappear. Thank you.

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Nancy Kelly

| From:    | Carolyn Ganner                   |
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| Sent:    | Saturday, March 12, 2022 5:32 PM |
| То:      | Senate Education                 |
| Subject: | Support for SB140                |

As a 70 year old woman, I have witnessed the rise of opportunity for women athletes because of Title IX. They are hard won gains. While all athletes should have a space where they can compete, it is deeply unfair to biological girls and women to allow biological males to compete against them. I support reserving women's sports for biological females.

**Carolyn Moseley Ganner** 

Haines Box

Windy Perkins Saturday, March 12, 2022 5:41 PM Senate Education SB 140

Please protect our daughters. There is nothing ok about biographical males competing with biographical females!! It's a disgrace that our society has gotten to a point where this subject needs to be discussed. God created males and females completely different. There's no way you can re-create a man into a woman, or a woman into a man. Biology is biology. Science is science. Truth is truth. You can't wish a man into a woman, or a woman into a man. They were created so uniquely and differently. Even down to details of internal organs. There's thousands of differences in between a man and a woman. It's foolishness to think otherwise.

Men have no business competing against women in sports.

Thank you for hearing my thoughts.

Windy Perkins and James Perkins

Jesus is the Way, the Truth, and the Life

cthysu m Saturday, March 12, 2022 5:51 PM Senate Education SB140

Please ensure discrimination against girls and women does not occur. Girls & Women must be treated fairly and not disadvantaged in athletic programs compared to male-bodied athletes.--Cathy Moore

## **Daniel Phelps**

From: Sent: To: Subject: Laura Foster Saturday, March 12, 2022 7:10 PM Senate Education Senate Bill 120

Dear Senate Education Committee,

Please pass Senate Bill 120 so girls and women in Alaska won't be discriminated against in sports in our schools.

Thank you,

Laura Foster Gold Nugget Triathlete

Sarah Jensen Friday, March 11, 2022 7:38 PM Sen. Shelley Hughes SB140

Please pass SB140 so girls and women won't be discriminated against in sports in our schools.

I raised 3 children (2 girls & 1 boy) who all attended Chugiak High School & played tennis, swam, skiied & ran in high school. I hope girls in school now have the same opportunities in sports as my kids did.

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Thank you, Sarah Jensen

Chugiak AK 99657

Hannah Lindfors Saturday, March 12, 2022 7:43 PM Senate Education; Sen. Shelley Hughes SB140- Full Support

To Whom It May Concern:

I fully support SB140. I encourage you to pass this bill. Let biological girls in Alaska complete as girls and let biological boys compete as boys.

Thank you, Hannah Lindfors 

 From:
 Peggy Kircher

 Sent:
 Saturday, March 12, 2022 8:17 PM

 To:
 Gary.Stevens@akleg.gov; Sen. Peter Micciche; Sen. Roger Holland; Sen. Shelley Hughes; senator.natasha.vanimhof@akleg.gov; tom.begich@akleg.gov

 Subject:
 SUPPORT SB 140

RE: SB 140 "An act relating to school athletics, recreation, athletic teams, and sports."

Dear Senators and Representatives,

I ask that you support SB 140 as defined in the bill concerning men, women, girls and boys. The plain language defines a biological male and biological female and how it should apply to school sports.

Section 1. AS 14.18.040 is amended with new subsection (d)"sex" means biological sex.

Again I ask that you support SB140 and get back to a common sense approach to sports.

1 Biological males at birth should only compete against biological males.

2 Biological females at birth should only compete against biological females.

3 Anyone else who has chosen to change their gender after birth, can compete in an "Open" class.

Sincerely,

Margaret Kircher

Anchorage AK 99515

Michele Robuck, Alaska Mint Saturday, March 12, 2022 8:56 PM Senate Education Support SB 140

I support SB 140. I want my daughter to be able to complete in fair competitions.

She plays flag football, soccer and track. She is 5'2" and weighs 105 pounds. She is one of the best in all of her sports.

Please support women's fair competition in sports.

Sent from my iPhone Michele Robuck Alaska Mint

Anchorage, AK 99501

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Jessie Maurer Saturday, March 12, 2022 9:48 PM Senate Education YES on SB140

Please support SB140! I am the mother of three daughters and one son. There is no comparison between my daughters' ability to run, swim, XC ski, play soccer, etc. competitively against their brother. They play all of those sports, and they train very very hard. Please do not take their ambition and love for their sports away by allowing biological males to compete against them.

Thank you, Jessie Maurer

Denise Allen Saturday, March 12, 2022 10:13 PM Senate Education SB140

Senators,

Please protect women and womens competitions with this bill.

Men are physiologically stronger and sturdier than women. If transgender men are allowed to compete with biological women there will no longer be a reason for womens sports. I have and will continue to advocate for all women pitched against men to just step back at the starting beep, whistle, or shot.

It has already been shown through several news reports of transgender men being admitted to a womens prison only to beat and rape three women before he was stopped. That is why transgenders should continue to compete as they were born.

Sincerely, Denise Allen

michael boll Sunday, March 13, 2022 5:57 AM Senate Education SB140

Hell,

As a a parent and now a grandparent I am concerned with what will follow if 140 does not go through.

If we as parents and grandparents allow natural born boys to play in girls sports what kind of a mental unspoken message are we telling these girls. What psychological impact will it have, what physical impact will it have in contact sports.

Have we really thought this through carefully of implications this will have if not passed.

In all seriousness how can we call it girls sports IF not passed.

Thank you Michael Boll Talkeetna, Ak

Sent via the Samsung Galaxy Note8, an AT&T 5G Evolution capable smartphone

Patty Wisel Sunday, March 13, 2022 10:24 AM Senate Education; Patty Wisel Vote YES on SB140

We are ABSOLUTELY in favor of SB 140 and ask each of you to fully support it also. Thank you in advance for your support and all our daughters, sisters, granddaughters and future female family members and friends will thank you too. Respectfully,

John Wisel Patty Wisel

Fairbanks, AK 99712

PAMELA BEILFUSS Sunday, March 13, 2022 10:49 AM Senate Education SB 140

The only fair way for there to be legitimate competition in sports is to have biological, gender specific humans competing against each other. Not a manufactured gender but the gender a person is actually birthed to be. Allowing a category of "transgender" to compete against a biological female is no different than allowing doping of certain individuals. It gives one person an advantage over another. It you determine that "transgenders" should be allowed to compete then they should only be allowed to compete against other "transgenders."

Pamela Beilfuss

Wasilla, AK 99629

Lee Keel Sunday, March 13, 2022 1:36 PM Senate Education Lee Keel SB140

Can't believe that this is an issue. It took time to get purely female sports teams in our schools. Girls are girls and boys are boys and always will be. To try to convince people otherwise is shear lunacy and thousands of us understand this. Also what is being attempted here is communism from the extreme left and delusional at best. This is divisive and also discriminatory. Let biological girls compete against biological girls, and biological boys compete against biological boys.

For the folks in office today that think different, I have news for you. Your days are numbered. We WILL get back to fundamental's. Surely you could concern yourselves with doing some good like getting CRT and pornography out of our education system.

Possibly the real citizens should go after your bond, that may be the fastest and most ethical way to go about ridding ourselves of legislators that insist on detrimental new laws put upon the people.

R. Lee Keel Wasilla

Marilyn Bennett Sunday, March 13, 2022 4:03 PM Senate Education Biological Men should not participate in women's sports

I am late to send this but it is important to protect women's sports. SB 140 is important. I have long been a part of the Feminist Movement, mainly because I felt cheated as a young girl as my brothers had so many opportunities to participate in sports while I had none. Now, some boy who is confused about who he is or may just want to win no matter what is taking away the top spots from the best of the best in women's sports.

Soon will just have men getting to participate fairly against other men and women having to participate against a person who was born a man but wants to compete against women and so has decided to pretend he is a woman. This is Crazy..... Sometimes I think I have lived too long - - when we have teachers and principles allowing women to be disrespected in this way.

Please stop this War on Women's Sports

Marilyn



Janet Hartmann Sunday, March 13, 2022 6:19 PM Senate Education Even the playing field please.

Yes on SB 40 Sent from my iPhone Daniel Phelps

From: Sent: To: Subject: ed bennett Sunday, March 13, 2022 6:48 PM

Senate Education Fw: Vote YES on SB 140: "An Act relating to school athletics, recreation, athletic teams, and sports."

I would like to thank Senator Shelly Hughes for introducing SB 140 and for all those that have shown their support for fairness in women's and girls' sports.

By voting YES on this bill you will also be preserving Title IX for generations to come.

I am from the era of Katherine Switzer. She is exactly one month older than I. However, I did not give her much thought after her Boston Marathon

run on April 19, 1967. But then I became a marathon runner and soon realized how much she gave me by being one of running's

most iconic figures. Not just for breaking barriers but for creating positive global social change. She gave me my love of running that I still

enjoy today. Five years after her marathon Title IX was passed, and my daughters were allowed to play softball, basketball, volleyball and run track.

Last Thursday, Iowa became the 11th U.S. state to ban biological males from competing in women's sports.

Many other states have introduced similar bills. As previously stated, allowing biological males to compete in a sport with

women is just not fair. Many athletic girls will lose out on college scholarships or simply not try out if a biological male is their competitor. Males just

have an overwhelming physical advantage over females in all sports.

Please support SB 140 by voting YES. Give all young girls today, tomorrow and generations to come the ability to enjoy all sports with the fairness they deserve.

Thank you, Ed Bennett Chugiak, Ak **Daniel Phelps** 

From: Sent: To: Subject: DOUGLAS PRINS Sunday, March 13, 2022 8:48 PM Senate Education SB 140

Dear Alaska Senators.

Girls are losing their right to an equal playing field because they are being forced to compete against

biological boys. This is unfair and demands a response -- which is why we need you, as a state policy

maker to take a stand! Please support SB 140 and vote yes to protect women's and girl's sports.

SB 140 is similar to what has been introduced in dozens of other states, would preserve Title IX

protections for women and girls and guarantee fairness by ensuring that biological boys compete against

biological boys and biological girls compete against biological girls. Title IX was enacted in 1972 to

stop discrimination and create equal athletic opportunities for women.

We want everyone to have the opportunity to compete in sports and have access to a fair playing field.

Competing in sports teaches valuable life lessons and gives kids and young adults confidence, discipline,

and perseverance. It's no surprise that 96% of female CEOs competed in sports.

We need the Even Playing Field Act in Alaska. Not just for young women today, but also for women in

generations to come. We encourage you to act today by voting YES for SB 140 – a bill that addresses

this incredibly important public policy matter.

**Doug and Marlin Prins** 

Nancy Bo Monday, March 14, 2022 2:32 PM Senate Education SB 140

I am writing to ask you to support SB140, which will ensure discrimination against girls and women does not occur – that they are treated fairly and not disadvantaged in athletic programs compared to male-bodied athletes. As a woman, I would be very discouraged about practising for years and then losing due to an unfair advantage that a male body has over mine.

Thank you, Nancy Boeshart

Homer, AK 99603

Craig Campbell Monday, March 14, 2022 2:50 PM Senate Education SB 140

As a father of two daughters and four granddaughters, I strongly support SB 140 to confirm Title IX's protection for women's participation in sports. SB 140 provides the ability for school districts to have coed athletic programs that would allow both biological males and females to compete against each other, in addition to separate male and female sports programs. Thank you for your reading my comments.

Craig E. Campbell Eagle River, AK

Elaine Rasher Monday, March 14, 2022 3:58 PM Senate Education SB 140

To Whom it May Concern,

I urge you to support SB 140 and protect women's sports for women and girls in our great state of Alaska. There are many studies showing definitively the significant differences in the physiology, DNA, and strength of males and females. This information cannot be discounted in regards to women's sports, and the current attempts by some members of society to ignore that information are a direct attack against the rights women fought and gained through Title 9.

It would be much more effective to allow the trans community to create their own sports programs, and compete against the members of their own social community, where their unique needs, expectations, challenges, and strengths can be more directly addressed and accommodated. After all, that was what women did, all those years ago, in order to have a sports program that met their unique needs, skills, and strengths.

Thank you for your consideration, E. Rasher

| From:<br>Sent:<br>To:                  | Wednesday, March<br>Sen. Shelley Hugh | n 16, 2022 9:13 AM<br>es                  | 83 |
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| Subject:                               | New Pom:SB 140                        | Designate Sex For School-sponsored Sports |    |
| Connie Koan<br>Wasilla 99623-0330,CJAK |                                       |   |    |

Please support SB140 to protect women's rights in sports! The public comments received were appalling and deceptive. This is a good bill and will protect girls before this becomes a problem in our state. Please move it out of committee to the floor and vote YES. Thank you!