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Trans People Deserve Belonging

Madison – Today, the Wisconsin Assembly took up 2 bills that exclude transgender athletes from participating in collegiate and K-12 sports. Another bill taken up today would disallow transgender youth from getting medical care. Rep. Dave Considine (D-Baraboo) issued the following statement on the passage of these bills:

"The bills brought before us today impact children's lives. Bringing these bills to a vote is harmful. Those who voted in favor of the proposals are ignoring what we are hearing from Wisconsin youth. Excluding trans athletes from participating in sports is not what kids want. Kids want to play together. The issue we are talking about is an adult problem.

"Our kids accept each other. We need to learn from them and focus on how we can uplift members of our community. Trans people are an important part of our community. They deserve to be included and respected."

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