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Dear Chairman Lynn and Members of the Judiciary Committee:

My name is Shawne Cox, and I'm submitting this testimony as a concerned New Hampshire man and a father who strongly supports policies that protect the privacy, dignity, and safety of men and boys — as well as women and girls — in sex-separated spaces.

As a man, I do not want women, or women who identify as men, in my locker room or my bathroom. I also do not want men who think they are women in women's bathrooms or locker rooms. Many men, including me, do not want our young sons exposed to women or to males who identify as women in male spaces, where boys should be able to change, shower, and use the restroom without confusion, embarrassment, or the risk of inappropriate exposure. These are not hateful or exclusionary views — they are normal expectations about modesty, consent, and respect for sex-based boundaries.

I strongly urge the committee to pass SB 552. This common-sense bill ensures that women and girls are not required to share intimate female-only areas with biological males, and that men and boys are not required to share their private male-only spaces with biological females. It simply restores clear rules for restrooms, locker rooms, sports, prisons, and other single-sex facilities while still respecting the rights and safety of every resident in New Hampshire.

This legislation preserves what men and boys — and women and girls — have always had: private, sex-specific spaces that protect us all from indignity, confusion, and potential abuse, and allow everyone to flourish. There is nothing controversial about expecting our elected officials to uphold this basic right.

If New Hampshire passes SB 552, the state will clearly show that the privacy, safety, and equal opportunities of its citizens — male and female — are worth defending. I respectfully ask the committee to move SB 552 forward.

Thank you for your time and attention.

Shawne Cox