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To: IRRC
Subject: All Public Comments for 52-13 PHRC received
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Good Morning,

Attached please find a copy of all of the public comments the PHRC received for proposed regulation 52-13 (some of these comments were previously submitted to IRRC).

Also attached is a copy of each of the form emails PHRC received. For FORM Email 1, PHRC received a total of 1,949 copies. For FORM Email 2, PHRC received a total of 61 copies. For FORM Email 3, PHRC received a total of 747 copies. For FORM **Email 4, PHRC received a total of 747 copies.**

If you need anything else, please let me know.

Thanks,

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From: [Sandra Farcht](#)
To: [HR, PHRC Regs Public Comment](#)
Subject: [External] Rescind the proposed changes to sex discrimination
Date: Friday, May 6, 2022 1:42:34 PM

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Dear PHRC,

I ask you to rescind proposed regulations, #52-13, by the Pennsylvania Human Relations Commission that broaden the definition of sex.

Pennsylvanians agree that everyone should be treated with respect. But rather than advancing that laudable goal, the proposed PHRC regulations add broad phrases to the definitions, which will have the effect of putting many good Pennsylvanians and ministries in legal jeopardy.

Similar laws in other states have been used to open up locker rooms based on gender identity rather than sex. Doctors and religious hospitals have been sued elsewhere for refusing to remove healthy organs from patients identifying with the opposite sex. Clearly no Pennsylvanian should be denied medical care based on class-status, but these proposed changes fail to distinguish between true class-based discrimination and the freedom of doctors to refuse harmful and often-regretted surgeries.

Likewise, laws like these can be used to force religious entities, including Christian schools, to hire those who do not agree with the religious entities' beliefs about human sexuality, marriage, and gender. This form of intolerance should be rejected here in Pennsylvania.

This type of major policy change that has significant ramifications should not be made by regulation but should instead be decided by duly-elected lawmakers in representation of the individuals, families, and communities they serve.

I respectfully ask that you rescind this new proposal.

Sincerely,
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