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As a concerned citizen, a grandparent of a Cecil County Public School student and as a County Council member for Cecil County, I am asking for a FAVORABLE position on HB156. Biological males have no place in biological female sports. I am all for transgender individuals participating in sports based on their biological gender. If they do not want to do so, then create a separate class for transgender people. We have para-Olympics and special Olympics, as examples. Create a class for high school and college transgender people on the State and local levels and let them compete against each other.

Girls should not be competing against males. Not only is it a risk to their physical well-being, but potentially their emotional well-being. Females also risk the chance of losing needed scholarships for colleges to males competing in their sports.

Let's return to science which clearly identifies two genders/sexes, biological males are those individuals who were born with a penis and biological females are those individuals who were born with a vagina. Stick to biology and the two genders when determining physical competitions. There is absolutely no need to confuse the two.

For these reasons, I request a FAVORABLE position on HB156.

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