

I heard someone said the majority of Marylanders support HB 156. Since 3pm, here is the responses I got from Marylanders who oppose the bill just from a google form. I can't wait for the next reading when I can give advance notice too. See y'all Wednesday.

-Scooter and Company

Timestamp	What is your name?	What is your Maryland zipcode?	Check this box to confirm you oppose HB 156.	What else would you like to add? One sentence or one thousand sentences is plenty!
1/27/2025 13:16:04	John Nagle	21204	I oppose HB 156.	This bill is being supported by a small but extremely vocal group of bigots, who are harming the children they are claiming to protect. They need to be stopped.
1/27/2025 14:33:48	Pete Fitzpatrick	21228	I oppose HB 156.	
1/27/2025 15:16:16	Ricky Mouser	21231	I oppose HB 156.	<p>1) This bill fails to acknowledge the existence of intersex students, who would be barred from any sport not offered in a "coeducational" format by default.</p> <p>2) I would advise my representatives to educate themselves on the case of Layshia Clarendon, an openly trans and non-binary WNBA player whose inclusion in a *professional* women's league was welcomed by fans, coaches, and other players.</p> <p>3) Sports aren't "fair" in this bill's incredibly narrow sense</p>

				<p>anyway--no one's trying to ban Shaq from playing just because he's physically overwhelming the other boys! And obviously, no one's "becoming trans" so they can join the girls' squad. This bill is pretty transparently about excluding already-marginalized students from yet another shared community, which doesn't sound so fair to me. Whatever happened to small government?? Leave local sporting communities alone!</p>
1/27/2025 15:50:14	Tammy Schueler	21050	I oppose HB 156.	<p>Stop wasting taxpayer dollars on nonsense.</p>
1/27/2025 15:51:35	Simone Boykin	21218	I oppose HB 156.	<p>This bill is not something that helps girls who play sports. Be it girls who are trans or cis. This is a waste of state resources and not helpful to the students in Maryland. The amount of trans girls playing sports is miniscule and adding regulations to a group that is already targeted on a national level is abhorrent. This bill does not improve or help the physical, mental, or emotional health and development of students nor does it improve the safety for students. This bill will actually do the opposite by harming the development and safety for trans girls who desire to play sports in Maryland. I do not support this bill, as a school psychologist who works with high school students.</p>
1/27/2025 16:24:59	Erik Shilling	21214	I oppose HB 156.	<p>This bill is a disgrace and nothing but a bigoted attempt to erase the identity of trans children. This bill only serves to harm children. The State of Maryland should not be regulating how children play together.</p>

1/27/2025 16:27:07	Ben Schuman	21212	I oppose HB 156.	This bill doesn't reflect the values or priorities of Marylanders and I strongly urge the General Assembly to reject it.
1/27/2025 16:31:05	Maura Csipo	21221	I oppose HB 156.	Our transgender community members are to be respected and not made into a political circus!
1/27/2025 16:33:00	Erin Wilcox	21014	I oppose HB 156.	Please end school gun violence. Love thy neighbor.
1/27/2025 16:38:14	Steve Phillips	21078	I oppose HB 156.	Jesus would never approve of this
1/27/2025 16:39:30	Emily	21048	I oppose HB 156.	<p>Trans children make up less than 1% of all children in the United States. In a time when school is the hardest for children , while they are deciding their career path and discovering who they are as human beings, these children are being met with hate and ignorance from supposed adults. Instead of legislating for more staff, supplies and support for our struggling school system, Republicans are once again obsessed with the genitals of children, specifically female children, for the comfort of adults who are well pass their school years.</p> <p>It is highly disturbing to me, as a parent of a trans child, that my child's genitals are what legislators are most concerned about, instead of the bullying from other children and adults, the safety and wellbeing (mental and physical) of all of our children in our schools, the quality of their education, how to fund our schools with impending cuts to Federal funds for</p>

				<p>education and how to ensure our schools have proper electricity when Maryland is facing an energy crisis.</p> <p>Liberty means to live freely as oneself without being oppressed by others. This bill would violate that pledge of "liberty for all" that our children have learned to recite every day while at school.</p> <p>Simultaneously we are told to grow thicker skin while our states try to legislate our bodies and our freedoms. Well, it's time for Republicans to take their own advice to grow thicker skin, especially if a child who is a little different offends them.</p>
1/27/2025 16:49:55	Joshua Gold	21158	I oppose HB 156.	Please protect our children.
1/27/2025 17:08:01	Marc Sevigny	20676	I oppose HB 156.	
1/27/2025 17:09:25	Tyler Adamson	21217	I oppose HB 156.	
1/27/2025 17:11:54	Bobbie Sullivan	21061	I oppose HB 156.	Protect LGBTQIA+ rights and access to gender affirming healthcare and reproductive care
1/27/2025 17:13:13	Sarah Elkhoga	21043	I oppose HB 156.	This is ridiculous. People are starving and dying and being forced into camps and this is what is being proposed?! About people that make up less than 1% of the population?? Not to mention the high suicide rates in trans youth. This is appalling.

1/27/2025 17:13:21	Jennifer Klump	21201	I oppose HB 156.	
1/27/2025 17:14:26	Damon Wright	21060	I oppose HB 156.	Trans students deserve to feel safe in their schools and participate in extra curricular activities with their peers without gender based discrimination and invasive legislation. Trans kids are at a higher risk of physical attacks and bullying due to their gender identity; they are not a danger to their peers and should not be legislated as such
1/27/2025 17:20:10	Dylan Hanold	21060	I oppose HB 156.	
1/27/2025 17:26:57	Adelyn	21801	I oppose HB 156.	
1/27/2025 17:29:25	Drew K.	21219	I oppose HB 156.	
1/27/2025 17:30:45	Arina Troy	21030	I oppose HB 156.	Trans rights are human rights. The alienation of people you don't understand will only cause further divide for members of your community. Please truly educate yourself before trying to pass laws that can be detrimental to an entire group of people.
1/27/2025 17:36:24	Kimberly Bleakney	21230	I oppose HB 156.	"Fairness in Girl's Sports" would entail fairness for ALL girls, which this bill clearly does not.

1/27/2025 17:40:52	Shir Wolf	21218	I oppose HB 156.	<p>I strongly oppose this bill , which is not based on science . Many major medical associations do as well including the American Medical Association and American Academy of Pediatrics , the American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists, American Psychiatric Association, American Psychological Association, National Association of School Psychologists, and Association for Applied Sport Psychology.</p> <p>Many states , like ours already manage and balance inclusion and fairness in sports. Very few transgender youth play sports and for a long time these have been non issues. In other states these bans have led to invasive and costly physical exams including genital Exams and testing and bloodwork that are experienced by both cis and trans students. It has led to cisgender girls getting accused of not being girls due to their skill level or size. This would put students at risk and would be a barrier to all students to the able to benefit and enjoy being part of sports.</p>
1/27/2025 17:41:12	Tristan Markham	21030	I oppose HB 156.	
1/27/2025 17:41:41	Richard Adams	21236	I oppose HB 156.	
1/27/2025 17:47:05	Niki Walters	21224	I oppose HB 156.	

1/27/2025 17:49:26	Katherine	21061	I oppose HB 156.	
1/27/2025 17:50:58	Melissa Masino	21206	I oppose HB 156.	This bill is extremely discriminatory and disgustingly transphobic.
1/27/2025 17:55:17	Miranda Rosenfelt	21224	I oppose HB 156.	All kids deserve the right to play sports. Maryland must remain a sanctuary for trans youth.