

# Background Materials on Anti-Trans “Bathroom Bills”

## Best comprehensive overview:

- “The Facts: Bathroom Safety, Nondiscrimination Laws, and Bathroom Ban Laws”  
<http://www.lgbtmap.org/file/bathroom-ban-laws.pdf>

## Other general overviews/resources:

- “Talking about Transgender People and Bathrooms” (talking points for various audiences)  
<http://lgbtmap.org/file/talking-about-transgender-people-and-restrooms.pdf>
- Transgender people and bathroom access  
<http://www.transequality.org/issues/resources/transgender-people-and-bathroom-access>
- FORGE talking points  
<http://forge-forward.org/wp-content/docs/bathroom-talking-points-anti-violence-FAQ-11-2015.pdf>
- List of state-level anti-trans legislation (pending and enacted)  
<http://www.transequality.org/action-center>
- National Center for Transgender Equality Flush Discrimination campaign (citizen action opportunities)  
<http://www.transequality.org/flush>
- Resources regarding trans school children/youth and bathrooms  
<http://www.transequality.org/schoolaction>
- Media guide for reporting on the controversies  
[http://www.glaad.org/sites/default/files/Debunking the Bathroom Bill Myth 2016.pdf](http://www.glaad.org/sites/default/files/Debunking%20the%20Bathroom%20Bill%20Myth%202016.pdf)
- “Transgender Students and School Bathrooms: Frequently Asked Questions”  
<https://www.genderspectrum.org/bathroomfaq/>

## Debunking the sexual predator myths:

- National Task Force to End Sexual and Domestic Violence Against Women Consensus Statement in Support of Full and Equal Access for the Transgender Community  
<http://endsexualviolence.org/files/NTFNationalConsensusStmntTransAccessWithSignatories.pdf>
- 17 school districts debunk right-wing lies about protections for transgender students  
<http://mediamatters.org/research/2015/06/03/17-school-districts-debunk-right-wing-lies-abou/203867>
- 15 Experts debunk right-wing transgender bathroom myths (actual state/cities’ experiences post-nondiscrimination laws)  
<http://mediamatters.org/research/2014/03/20/15-experts-debunk-right-wing-transgender-bathro/198533>
- “Rights vs. Safety: Exploiting Survivors of Child Molestation”  
[http://www.huffingtonpost.com/lore-cookdaniels/rights-v-safety-exploitin\\_b\\_9523086.html](http://www.huffingtonpost.com/lore-cookdaniels/rights-v-safety-exploitin_b_9523086.html)

### Negative consequences of bathroom bills:

- Federal laws violated by North Carolina's HB2 (and, possibly, similar bills/laws)  
<http://www.transequality.org/sites/default/files/Federal%20Law%20Implicated%20by%20NC%20HB%202.pdf>
- Latest stats on transgender people and bathroom use  
<http://www.ustranssurvey.org/preliminary-findings/>
- Article by gay man about how his life was warped by society's belief he was a child molester because he was gay  
<http://www.nytimes.com/2015/11/08/opinion/sunday/sex-lies-and-houston.html>
- North Carolina's HB2 leads to Wisconsin suicide  
[http://www.huffingtonpost.com/loreecookdaniels/surviving-the-waves-of-hi\\_b\\_11498634.html](http://www.huffingtonpost.com/loreecookdaniels/surviving-the-waves-of-hi_b_11498634.html)

### Bathrooms/sexual predators in other civil rights contexts (history):

- History of bathrooms and civil rights  
<http://www.motherjones.com/politics/2016/05/north-carolina-transgender-history-bathrooms-freakouts-timeline>
- Sexual predator myth used to oppose civil rights throughout U.S. history  
[http://www.slate.com/blogs/outward/2015/11/10/anti\\_trans\\_bathroom\\_propaganda\\_has\\_roots\\_in\\_racial\\_segregation.html](http://www.slate.com/blogs/outward/2015/11/10/anti_trans_bathroom_propaganda_has_roots_in_racial_segregation.html)
- How public bathrooms became gender-segregated in the first place  
<https://theconversation.com/how-did-public-bathrooms-get-to-be-separated-by-sex-in-the-first-place-59575>
- "The Weird History of Gender-Segregated Bathrooms"  
<http://www.livescience.com/54692-why-bathrooms-are-gender-segregated.html>
- Who is behind the current push for anti-trans bathroom bills  
<http://www.motherjones.com/politics/2016/04/alliance-defending-freedom-lobbies-anti-lgbt-bathroom-bills>

### Public education materials:

- Video/commercial about transwoman and bathrooms:  
<http://fairnessusa.org/>
- Videos about transgender people (in general) suitable for public education:  
<http://www.lgbtmap.org/video>
- Videos of mothers of transgender children/youth:  
<http://www.hrc.org/blog/six-amazing-moms-who-welcomed-their-transgender-children-with-open-arms>  
[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=k\\_IGK7d5HbA](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=k_IGK7d5HbA)
- Videos of dads of transgender children/youth:  
<https://www.hrc.org/blog/powerful-new-hrc-foundation-video-features-proud-dads-of-transgender-childr>

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