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## TSTA urges House to reject "bathroom bill"

Texas State Teachers Association President Noel Candelaria released the following statement on SB6:

"The Texas State Teachers Association urges members of the Texas House to reject Senate Bill 6, the so-called 'bathroom bill,' one of the most discriminatory and potentially dangerous pieces of legislation to emerge during this session. This bill won't protect anybody. But it may very well endanger the students it singles out for discriminatory attention by subjecting them to bullying and even physical abuse.

"Schools should be safe zones for learning for all children, regardless of race, ethnicity, gender, sexual orientation or sexual identity. For years, educators have been providing the necessary accommodations for transgender children with dignity, respect and sensitivity for privacy for all students. TSTA is unaware of any reported problems related to current policy.

"Senate Bill 6 is a politically motivated measure that will create problems that don't exist and threaten the safe and secure learning environment that every student should be provided."