Greetings, Rules Committee:

H.B.2478, "Gender neutral language in legally recognized marriage" implies an oxymoron.

Each gender represents half the human race.

Reality requires both (differing, but complementary) genders!

Humans have long childhoods requiring real experience of these real differences, as in real marriage.

These differences affect all humanity.

"Gender-neutralizing" these differences (half of humanity--!) is bigotry, big-time.

H.B. 3231, "establishing parentage", I believe may need review in connection with the above points. Children have lifetime value for& nbsp; themselves, even more than for their parents, and their needs for two-gender-parent models are as important as in traditional marriage.

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