

HB 2279 -- SEXUAL ORIENTATION AND GENDER IDENTITY DISCRIMINATION

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This bill adds sexual orientation and gender identity to the definition of discrimination. Such discrimination includes unlawful housing practices, denial of loans or other financial assistance, denial of membership into an organization relating to the selling or renting of dwellings, unlawful employment practices, and denial of the right to use public accommodations.

"Gender identity" is defined as the gender-related identity, appearance, or mannerisms, or other gender-related characteristics of an individual, with or without regard to the individual's designed sex at birth. "Sexual orientation" is defined as male or female heterosexuality, homosexuality, or bisexuality by inclination, practice, identity, or expression.