ALL MISSISSIPPians SHOULD FEEL PROTECTED IN THEIR OWN HOME

AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 43-33-723 TO INCLUDE SEXUAL ORIENTATION AND GENDER IDENTITY AS PROTECTED CLASSES AGAINST HOUSING DISCRIMINATION.

LGBT PEOPLE IN MISSISSIPPI

Home to 60,000 LGBT adults & 3,500 same-sex couples.*

25% of the LGBT community identify as trans.

29% of same-sex couples are raising children.

*http://williamsinstitute.law.ucla.edu/

FACTS:

- Mississippi has no state level protections against discrimination inclusive of sexual orientation and gender identity.
- One in 5 transgender people in the U.S. has been discriminated against when seeking a home.
- More than 1 in 10 have been evicted from their homes because of their gender identity.*
- Federal law lends little protection.

*https://transequality.org/issues/housing-homophobia

ALL RESIDENTS SHOULD BE TREATED FAIRLY AND EQUALLY UNDER THE LAWS OF OUR STATE AND THAT INCLUDES HAVING THE RIGHT TO HOUSING.

ALL MISSISSIPPians DESERVE A FAIR CHANCE AT PUTTING A ROOF OVER THEIR HEAD.