



Chair Marzola and members of the Commerce and Labor Committee,

Make the Road Nevada strongly supports Senate Bill 171, a vital measure that enacts comprehensive protections for providers and recipients of medically necessary gender-affirming health care. As an organization dedicated to building the power of Latine, immigrant, and working-class communities across our state, we know firsthand how essential it is to ensure all Nevadans—especially our transgender and gender non-conforming neighbors—have access to safe, affirming, and legal medical care. This bill provides important safeguards by preventing state agencies from cooperating with out-of-state investigations or prosecutions targeting this care, shielding healthcare professionals from punitive actions simply for doing their jobs, and affirming our state's commitment to bodily autonomy and human dignity.

The communities we serve, including many vulnerable and marginalized individuals, will be directly impacted by the protections SB171 offers. In a time when hostile legislation is spreading across the country, Nevada must lead with compassion and justice. SB171 not only protects patients seeking care within our borders but also establishes a framework for supporting out-of-state residents fleeing discriminatory laws. Make the Road Nevada urges lawmakers to pass SB171 swiftly to ensure Nevada remains a safe haven for those seeking the healthcare they need and deserve.

Thank you,

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