

《奥巴马政府拟颁布政令，保障变性学生“如厕权利”》

导读:美国北卡罗来纳州引入了一项法案，不管你是变性人还是异装癖，上公共厕所都得按照你出生证上的性别决定是去男厕所还是去女厕所。就这让联邦政府非常尴尬了。



WASHINGTON (Reuters) - The Obama administration will tell every U.S. public school district on Friday to allow transgender students to use the bathrooms that match their gender identity.

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The letter, signed by officials from the Education and Justice departments, does not have the force of law but contains an implicit threat that schools which do not abide by the Obama administration's interpretation of the law could face lawsuits or a loss of federal aid.

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"There is no room in our schools for discrimination of any kind, including discrimination against transgender students on the basis of their sex," U.S. Attorney General Loretta Lynch said in a statement.

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"This guidance gives administrators, teachers, and parents the tools they need to protect transgender students from peer harassment and to identify and address unjust school policies," she said.

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The move comes as the Obama administration and North Carolina battle in federal court over a state law passed in March that limits public bathroom access for transgender people.

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"No student should ever have to go through the experience of feeling unwelcome at school or on a college campus," Education Secretary John King Jr. said in a statement.

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The Obama administration letter will say schools may not require transgender students to have a medical diagnosis, undergo any medical treatment, or produce a birth certificate or other document before treating them according to their gender identity.

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Americans are divided over which public restrooms should be used by transgender people, according to a Reuters poll, with 44 percent saying people should use them according to their biological sex and 39 percent saying they should be used according to the gender with which they identify.

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White House spokesman Josh Earnest told reporters that the administration would not take action to withhold federal funding while the matter played out in courts.

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