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Coalition for Trans Liberation on Legislation Affecting the Trans Community

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Media Advisory for Thursday, Oct. 14 at 10:30 AM

Representative Kristen Arrington and Senator Gary Farmer Holding Press Conference with the Florida Coalition for Trans

Liberation on Legislation Affecting the Trans Community Tallahassee, Fla. — On Thursday, Oct. 14, Representative Kristen Arrington (D-Kissimmee), Senator Victor M. Torres, Jr. (D-Orlando), and Senator Gary Farmer (D-Fort Lauderdale) will hold a press conference with the Florida Coalition for Trans Liberation on passing legislation that will be beneficial to members of the transgender, non-binary, and gender non-conforming community. HB 249 filed by Representative Arrington, along with companion legislation filed by Senator Torres will allow non-binary people to choose a gender-neutral marker that reflects their identities on their state ID card or driver's license, an option that would put Florida in line with the majority of states.

SB 212, filed by **Senator Farmer**, will repeal the trans youth athlete ban that was rushed through the Florida Legislature at the end of the 2020 legislative session.

Speakers from the Florida Coalition for Transgender Liberation will also address Governor DeSantis' prioritizing of continued attacks on trans+ youth this legislative session through his support of a transgender youth medical care ban.

- Who:
- Representative Kristen Arrington (she/her/hers)
- Senator Victor M. Torres, Jr. (he/him/his)
- Senator Gary Farmer (he/him/his)
- Florida Coalition for Trans Liberation Members:
- Rev. Dr. Russell Meyer (he/him/his), Florida Council of Churches
- Ash Soto (he/they), directly impacted student
- Delilah Pierre (she/her/hers), directly impacted, Tallahassee Community Action Committee
- Carrie Boyd (she/her/hers), Florida National Organization for Women

What: Transgender+ Justice Press Conference

When: Tuesday, Oct. 14 at 10:30 AM

Where: Florida Capitol, Fourth Floor Rotunda