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Just wanted to put this on the legal shop's radar. Not sure if we get information on this stuff but it might be good to have for reference.

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Hello,

I'm a reporter with WMBF News in Myrtle Beach. Horry County Schools affirmed its commitment to not discriminate against transgender students due to the recent Title IX ruling in the Fourth Circuit Court of Appeals. This was in response to a letter from the Transgender Law Center on behalf of a transgender male student who says he was suspended back in January for using the boy's bathroom. According to the Transgender Law Center, the HCS superintendent said transgender students will be able to use the bathroom of their gender identity, the student's suspension will be removed from records, staff will be informed of using students' preferred pronouns and classroom rosters will reflect students' preferred names.

You can see the background for this at the following links: <http://www.wmbfnews.com/story/31843510/horry-county-schools-affirm-commitment-to-protecting-transgender-students-from-discrimination>
<http://www.wmbfnews.com/story/31813991/mother-of-suspended-transgender-male-student-wants-horry-county-schools-to-update-bathroom-policy>
<http://www.wmbfnews.com/story/31144867/transgender-male-student-suspended-for-using-boys-bathroom-at-socastee-high-school>

I'm hoping for a statement from Governor Haley about this today. Thank you!

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