Previous research has found clear evidence that LGBT students are more likely to experience bullying, verbal or physical harassment than their peers. BUT very little concrete data is collected: there are no local, state or federal reporting requirements that would shine a light on the severity of the problem. It’s past time to fix this.

**LACK OF DATA**

**FACT:** LGBT students are 1.4 X’s more likely to be expelled from school than heterosexual peers.

But what’s driving those expulsions? There is no data.

**FEDERAL ACTION**

**STEP 1**

Federal Agencies: Add LGBT questions to youth surveys on discipline and health.

**STEP 2**

Congress: Enact the Student Non-Discrimination Act.

This would provide protections for LGBT students similar to those recognized for race, color, gender, etc.

**WHAT YOU CAN DO**

Call and write Congress, urging passage of critical legislation.

Contact U.S. Departments of Education, Justice and Health and Human Services to add school survey questions.

Work within your community and schools for equality.

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