

Examples of Sexual Predators in Women's Facilities in U.S. Jurisdictions with SOGI Laws

Cross-dressing man allegedly videotaped women in restroom

The L.A. County Sheriff's Department says suspect Jason Pomares, 33, dressed up like a woman to spy on women in a Macy's bathroom at the Antelope Valley Mall. Investigators say he had a concealed camera in a paper bag with a hole in it. "He was secretly and covertly videotaping women while they were using the restroom," said Sheriff's Sgt. Brian Hudson. "It appears **he had been in the restroom for about two hours before he was noticed**. Over a span of two hours, we've got video of several women entering and exiting the restroom. The way the camera was positioned, it was positioned where it could record what was taking place in one of the bathroom stalls, and on a baby-changing table that is located in the restroom."

http://abclocal.go.com/story?section=news/local/los_angeles&id=9102790

<http://www.nbcboston.com/news/local/Secret-Recording-Store-Mall-Antelope-Valley-Palmdale-Restroom-207541101.html>

Police: Sex offender posed as woman, went into women's locker room

A registered sex offender dressed up like a woman, went into a women's locker room at a pool and talked with several children before being chased down by a good Samaritan, according to the Clackamas County Sheriff's Office.

<http://www.komonews.com/news/local/125111914.html>

<http://www.katu.com/news/local/132679743.html>

Police: Man in bra and wig found in women's bathroom - admitted to other offense where he showered in the girls' locker room for sexual gratification

A man wearing a bra and wig was arrested Friday after he was spotted in a women's bathroom at Everett Community College, police said. The man, later identified as Taylor J. Buehler, 18, of Lake Stevens, was placed under arrest. He admitted to officers that he was the suspect in an earlier voyeurism incident at Everett Community College on Monday, police said. In the earlier incident, he said **he took a shower in the girls' locker room for sexual gratification**, according to the police report.

<http://www.komonews.com/news/local/Police-Man-spotted-in-womens-bathroom-wearing-bra-wig-142987265.html>

Cross-dressing Peeper Infiltrates Cal Women's Locker Room

On Monday, October 4, 2010 at 9:20 p.m. and again on Wednesday, October 6, 2010 at 4:30 p.m. a male disguised as a female was discovered in the Recreational Sports Facility women's locker room. On both occasions the suspect fled the scene when confronted by staff members. In one of the instances the **suspect was seen using a cell phone to photograph women inside the locker room**. After each occurrence UCPD searched the area but was unable to locate the suspect. No one was physically contacted during these encounters.

<http://www.eastbayexpress.com/92510/archives/2010/10/12/cross-dressing-peeper-infiltrates-cal-womens-locker-room>

Man dressed as woman tried to take pictures in dorm, police say

Sheriff's officials said their investigation revealed Petersen dressed as a woman **and went to other "female-only facilities"** in Rancho Cucamonga and Yucaipa, where he allegedly tried to take pictures with a cellphone hidden in his purse.

<http://www.latimes.com/local/lanow/la-me-ln-man-allegedly-dressed-woman-20130624-story.html>

http://www.huffingtonpost.com/2013/06/25/rodney-kenneth-petersen_n_3496651.html

Purdue police investigate report of man taking photographs in women's restroom

Purdue University police are investigating a reported incident in which a man dressed as a woman was seen **taking photographs under the wall of a women's bathroom stall** in Yue-Kong Pao Hall of Visual and Performing Arts. According to a police report, a woman was in a bathroom stall on the third floor of the building and saw a hand holding a blue flip-phone camera beneath the door. She left the restroom and then returned to confront the person. At that point, she realized the person was a man dressed as a woman.

<https://news.uns.purdue.edu/x/2008a/080331PoliceVPA.html>

Cross-dressing man arrested for exposure at Walmart

A 51-year-old man wearing women's clothing was arrested for allegedly undressing in front of children at Walmart. Police say Norwood Smith Burnes, 51, of Rome, has a long record of indecent exposure and was on probation for public indecency when the latest incident occurred in the women's bathroom at Walmart in Calhoun, the Rome News-Tribune reported. Burnes was in "stages of undress while on the stone floor and would do this **in the presence of several young children**," witnesses told police. When police arrived, they found Burnes wearing a short skirt and jacket, black leather coat, high heels, red nail polish, green eye shadow and jewelry.

<http://www.ajc.com/news/news/local/cross-dressing-man-arrested-for-exposure-at-walmar/nQddG/>

<http://www.wsbtv.com/news/news/police-man-undresses-in-front-of-children-in-walma/nJckr/>

- *This is the one example in this series where the acts of a sexual predator were committed in a jurisdiction that did not have SOGI law. However an ordinance like Jacksonville's 2016-1 or 2016-2, if passed, would give this and other sexual predators cover to access women's bathrooms, changing rooms, and locker rooms without challenge.*

And

Transgender Student in Women's Locker Room Raises Uproar - Exposes Self to Underage Girls

The decision to allow a transgender 45-year-old college student who identifies as a woman but has male genitalia to use the women's locker room has raised a fracas among parents and faith-based organizations, who say children as young as 6 years old use the locker room. The locker room at Evergreen College in Olympia, Wash., is shared with the Capital High School swim club and a children's swim academy, along with the students at Evergreen. "The college has to follow state law," Evergreen spokesman Jason Wettstein told ABC News affiliate KOMO. "The college cannot discriminate based on the basis of gender identity. Gender identity is one of the protected things in discrimination law in this state." But according to parents, the fact that the student has exposed her male genitalia, in one instance in the sauna, is cause for concern. "[A mother] reported her daughter was upset because she observed a person at the women's locker room naked and displaying male genitalia," said a police report filed in September by a mother on behalf of her 17-year-old daughter.

<http://abcnews.go.com/blogs/headlines/2012/11/transgender-student-in-womens-locker-room-raises-uproar/>

<http://radio.foxnews.com/toddstarnes/top-stories/college-allows-transgender-man-to-expose-himself-to-young-girls.html>

- *The above example is a case where a man identifies as a transgender woman, and is following the law. However parents of the young girls in this locker room are still concerned about a man with male genitalia being allowed to disrobe and enter a previously protected area for women & young girls.*

And, an Example from Outside the U.S.

In Toronto in 2012 a man named Christopher Hambrook assaulted two women in a women's shelter while he was posing as a transgender woman. The Toronto Sun reports:

"Hambrook, 37, pleaded guilty in February 2013 to two counts of sexual assault and one count of criminal harassment involving two women — a deaf and homeless Quebec woman and a Toronto survivor of domestic violence — while he was living at a Dundas St. W. shelter and the Fred Victor women's shelter in January and February 2012."

"Psychiatric reports concluded Hambrook is not transgender."

"Mr. Hambrook's conduct inflicted severe psychological damage on both victims," said Carbonneau. "(They) sought refuge at Toronto women's shelters at difficult times in their lives. They thought that they would be safe there, but instead, they were further victimized by the accused."

<http://www.torontosun.com/2014/02/15/a-sex-predators-sick-deception>

Another article shares how flawed the logic is to view these laws and benign when they open a door for sexual predators to assault women.

<http://www.torontosun.com/2014/02/15/shocking-case-proves-tobys-law-is-flawed>

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