State Housing Nondiscrimination Laws

No updates required since December 10, 2020

Alabama
- No housing nondiscrimination law enumerating sexual orientation or gender identity

Alaska
- No housing nondiscrimination law enumerating sexual orientation or gender identity

Arizona
- No housing nondiscrimination law enumerating sexual orientation or gender identity

Arkansas
- State has law preventing passage or enforcement of local nondiscrimination laws

California
- Housing nondiscrimination law enumerates sexual orientation and gender identity
- See Cal. Gov. Code §§ 12955-12956.2, amended to include sexual orientation in 1999 (AB 1001) and gender identity in 2004

Colorado
- Housing nondiscrimination law enumerates sexual orientation and gender identity
- See C.R.S. 24-34-502. Amended to include sexual orientation (defined to include “transgender status,” see CRS §24-34-301) in 2008 (SB 08-200).

Connecticut
- Housing nondiscrimination law enumerates sexual orientation and gender identity
- See CGS Ch. 814c §46a. Amended to include sexual orientation in 1991 (HB 7133) and to include gender identity in 2011 (HB 6599).

Delaware
- Housing nondiscrimination law enumerates sexual orientation and gender identity

District of Columbia
- Housing nondiscrimination law enumerates sexual orientation and gender identity.
Florida
- State agency explicitly interprets existing protections against discrimination based on sex to include both sexual orientation and gender identity
- See Florida Commission on Human Rights (2020), including Section 5 of the intake questionnaire for housing discrimination complaints

Georgia
- No housing nondiscrimination law enumerating sexual orientation or gender identity

Hawai’i
- Housing nondiscrimination law enumerates sexual orientation and gender identity

Idaho
- No housing nondiscrimination law enumerating sexual orientation or gender identity

Illinois
- Housing nondiscrimination law enumerates sexual orientation and gender identity
- See 775 ILCS 5/1-102 (signed into law 2005, effective 2006)

Indiana
- No housing nondiscrimination law enumerating sexual orientation or gender identity

Iowa
- Housing nondiscrimination law enumerates sexual orientation and gender identity
- See Iowa Code § 216.8 and 216.8a (2007)

Kansas
- State agency explicitly interprets existing protections against discrimination based on sex to include both sexual orientation and gender identity
- See Kansas Human Rights Commission's Statement on Bostock (2020)

Kentucky
- No housing nondiscrimination law enumerating sexual orientation or gender identity

Louisiana
- No housing nondiscrimination law enumerating sexual orientation or gender identity

Maine
- Housing nondiscrimination law enumerates sexual orientation and gender identity

Maryland
- Housing nondiscrimination law enumerates sexual orientation and gender identity

Massachusetts
- Housing nondiscrimination law enumerates sexual orientation and gender identity

Michigan
- State agency explicitly interprets existing protections against discrimination based on sex to include both sexual orientation and gender identity

Minnesota
- Housing nondiscrimination law enumerates sexual orientation and gender identity.

Mississippi
- No housing nondiscrimination law enumerating sexual orientation or gender identity

Missouri
- No housing nondiscrimination law enumerating sexual orientation or gender identity

Montana
- No housing nondiscrimination law enumerating sexual orientation or gender identity

Nebraska
- State agency explicitly interprets existing protections against discrimination based on sex to include both sexual orientation and gender identity
- See Nebraska Equal Opportunity Commission’s statement (2020).

Nevada
- Housing nondiscrimination law enumerates sexual orientation and gender identity.
- See S.B. 368 (2011).

New Hampshire
- Housing nondiscrimination law enumerates sexual orientation and gender identity.
- See HB 421 (1997) for sexual orientation and HB 1319 (2018) for gender identity

New Jersey
- Housing nondiscrimination law enumerates sexual orientation and gender identity.
- See N.J. Stat. § 10:5-4, and 10:5-12 amended to include sexual orientation in 1992 and amended to include gender identity in 2007

New Mexico
- Housing nondiscrimination law enumerates sexual orientation and gender identity.
• See H.B. 314 (2003)
New York
- Housing nondiscrimination law enumerates sexual orientation and gender identity
- See **SB 720** (2002) for sexual orientation and **SB 1047** (2019) for gender identity

North Carolina
- No housing nondiscrimination law enumerating sexual orientation or gender identity
- Prior to 12/1/2020, state law prevented passage or enforcement of local nondiscrimination laws. See **HB 2** (2016) and **HB 142** (2017). The part of HB 142 that preempted local ordinances expired on 12/1/2020.

North Dakota
- State agency explicitly interprets existing protections against discrimination based on sex to include both sexual orientation and gender identity
- See North Dakota Department of Labor and Human Rights statement (2020)

Ohio
- No housing nondiscrimination law enumerating sexual orientation or gender identity

Oregon
- Housing nondiscrimination law enumerates sexual orientation and gender identity
- See **SB 2** (2007)

Pennsylvania
- State agency explicitly interprets existing protections against discrimination based on sex to include both sexual orientation and gender identity

Rhode Island
- Housing nondiscrimination law enumerates sexual orientation and gender identity.
- See Rhode Island Stat. § 34-37-4, amended in 1995 to include sexual orientation and in 2001 to include gender identity

South Carolina
- No housing nondiscrimination law enumerating sexual orientation or gender identity

South Dakota
- No housing nondiscrimination law enumerating sexual orientation or gender identity
Tennessee
- State has law preventing passage or enforcement of local nondiscrimination laws

Texas
- No housing nondiscrimination law enumerating sexual orientation or gender identity

Utah
- Housing nondiscrimination law enumerates sexual orientation and gender identity
  - See S.B. 296 (2015)

Vermont
- Housing nondiscrimination law enumerates sexual orientation and gender identity
  - See Vt. Stat. tit. 9, § 4503, amended to include sexual orientation in 1992 and amended to include gender identity in 2007

Virginia
- Housing nondiscrimination law enumerates sexual orientation and gender identity
  - See SB 868 (2020)

Washington
- Housing nondiscrimination law enumerates sexual orientation and gender identity

West Virginia
- No housing nondiscrimination law enumerating sexual orientation or gender identity

Wisconsin
- Housing nondiscrimination law enumerates only sexual orientation
  - See Wis. Stat. § 106.50 (1982)

Wyoming
- No housing nondiscrimination law enumerating sexual orientation or gender identity

U.S. Territories
No housing nondiscrimination laws enumerating sexual orientation or gender identity were identified in the five populated U.S. territories.