Gay/Trans Panic Defense Laws

No updates required since February 9, 2021

Alabama
- No law

Alaska
- No law

Arizona
- No law

Arkansas
- No law

California
- State law bans the use of “gay panic” and “trans panic” defenses
  - See AB 2501 (2014)

Colorado
- State law bans the use of “gay panic” and “trans panic” defenses
  - See SB20-221 (2020)

Connecticut
- State law bans the use of “gay panic” and “trans panic” defenses
  - See SB 58 (2019)

Delaware
- No law

District of Columbia
- State law bans the use of “gay panic” and “trans panic” defenses
  - See B23-0409 (passed 2020, effective 2021)

Florida
- No law

Georgia
- No law
Hawai‘i
  • State law bans the use of “gay panic” and “trans panic” defenses
  • See HB 711 (2019)

Idaho
  • No law

Illinois
  • State law bans the use of “gay panic” and “trans panic” defenses
  • See SB 1761 (2017)

Indiana
  • No law

Iowa
  • No law

Kansas
  • No law

Kentucky
  • No law

Louisiana
  • No law

Maine
  • State law bans the use of “gay panic” and “trans panic” defenses
  • See LD 1632 (2019)

Maryland
  • No law

Massachusetts
  • No law

Michigan
  • No law
Minnesota
  • No law

Mississippi
  • No law

Missouri
  • No law

Montana
  • No law

Nebraska
  • No law

Nevada
  • State law bans the use of “gay panic” and “trans panic” defenses
  • See SB 97 (2019)

New Hampshire
  • No law

New Jersey
  • State law bans the use of “gay panic” and “trans panic” defenses
  • See A 1796 (2020)

New Mexico
  • No law

New York
  • State law bans the use of “gay panic” and “trans panic” defenses
  • See A.8375 (2019)

North Carolina
  • No law

North Dakota
  • No law
Ohio
  • No law

Oklahoma
  • No law

Oregon
  • No law

Pennsylvania
  • No law

Rhode Island
  • State law bans the use of “gay panic” and “trans panic” defenses
  • See H 7066 (2018)

South Carolina
  • No law

South Dakota
  • No law

Tennessee
  • No law

Texas
  • No law

Utah
  • No law

Vermont
  • No law

Virginia
  • No law
Washington
  • State law bans the use of “gay panic” and “trans panic” defenses
  • See HB 1687 (2020)

West Virginia
  • No law

Wisconsin
  • No law

Wyoming
  • No law

U.S. Territories

American Samoa
  • No law

Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands
  • No law

Guam
  • No law

Puerto Rico
  • No law

U.S. Virgin Islands
  • No law