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## **Testimony from Jocelyn Foye, executive director of The Womxn Project, in support of the Practice in Probate Court (S2667)**

Dear Chair and Members of the Senate Judiciary Committee:

I am writing today in support of S2667, Practice in Probate Court, amending the legal name change process. This is a very straightforward bill that simultaneously streamlines the name change process, updates the section related to divorce and increases individual privacy.

All aspects are improvements and the addition of the privacy protections serves to protect potentially vulnerable individuals in RI. In an era of ever eroding personal privacy rights, this small change is a welcome addition for all and a critical aspect for those who seek to affirm their identity with a name change.

The Womxn Project is a 501c4 that works toward reproductive rights and freedom in Rhode Island. Acknowledging people where they are and how they choose to be present is a part of anyone's fundamental freedoms.

Please send S2667 to the floor for a vote this session. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,  
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