Rep. Greenlick,

I would like this letter to be included with testimony on HB2307. Thank You.

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Passing legislation forbidding conversion therapy perpetuates a forty year deception and attacks inalienable rights.

In 1973 the American Psychiatric Association removed homosexuality from its Diagnostic and Statistical Manual, though no studies refuted previous research. Attacks on psychiatrists and physiologists forced sufficient abstentions, under-votes, and apprehension for a third of APA's 17,000 plus membership to approve removal.

Activists next targeted leading researchers such as Dr. David Reuben and Masters and Johnson. No research papers would again arise confirming initial successes of 30% to 60 %, thereby allowing 7 of 10 homosexuals to choose a new direction. Activists infiltrating academia ensured pre-ordained research designs with suitable human data points and statistical enchantments. Therefore, the Surgeon General could now claim conversion therapies are unhelpful.

This legislation would also shatter the right to privacy of families. The State would have veto power over intimate, collective decisions of family, priest, pastor, doctor, and psychiatrist.

Action of APA to remove homosexuality from list of disorders DSM <u>http://conservativecolloquium.wordpress.com/2007/10/01/homosexual</u> <u>-activists-intimidate-american-psychiatric-association-into-removing-homosexuality-from-list-of-disorders/</u>

Homosexuality and Sexual Orientation Disturbance: Proposed Change in DSM-II, 6th Printing, page 44 <a href="http://www.torahdec.org/Downloads/DSM-II\_Homosexuality\_Revision.pdf">http://www.torahdec.org/Downloads/DSM-II\_Homosexuality\_Revision.pdf</a>

The APA Decision

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