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Do not pass this bill. This is evil beyond comprehension to force young impressionable children into a medicalized pathway that is irreversible and harmful. Genital mutilation is fought AGAINST in any other circumstance.

More concerning perhaps than the actual practices of this particular bill, is the erosion of the concept of minor consent boundaries. If minor children will be allowed to dictate their healthcare about such serious issues, what else will they eventually be entitled to consent to? Where does this path end? Many see it, and are trying to save their families from the evils you propose.

What has happened to the ethical guidelines associated with classical mental health treatment?? There is NO valid literature or scientific studies of merit to back this practice up.

You will force thousands of families out of your state, reducing state funded programs, harming the stability of many families, and disrupting the lives of many. The consequences are already emerging, and the fact that this is not obvious (or being ignored) is not passing many people by.

Do the right thing, and listen to your public.