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On Behalf Of:

Committee: House Committee On Behavioral Health and Health Care

Measure: HB2002

I strongly oppose this Bill HB2002. Is no one in the Oregon legislature reading studies on this subject? For the life of me, I cannot understand any sane adult supporting such a bill that I consider child abuse with lifelong ramifications. We need people in Salem who will exercise common sense and defend our vulnerable children. I implore you to vote NO on HB2002.

Unfortunately, with HB2002, Oregon is doubling-down on gender-affirming treatments without fully understanding the damage being done to children and young adults. The rapid rise of transitions is also being accompanied by a rapid rise in de-transitions – we are not exercising necessary care to determine who should and should not receive treatment. 80-90% of the children with gender dysphoria grow out of it, why are we pushing them along to get transgender treatment? There are no long-term studies to support our approach.

These hormone and medical treatments commit our youth to a lifetime of chemical dependency. In some cases, they are made sterile or develop chronic symptoms as a result of their treatments. In too many cases, we are rushing to treatment at a time when our youth are the most vulnerable and confused. Instead of getting the care they deserve we are pushing them down a path of permanent change and regret.

OPPOSE HB2002 for our children's sake and future generations!

An extremely disappointed Oregonian,