

Senate Bill 899

Sponsored by Senator NASH, Representative LEVY B; Representative HARBICK

SUMMARY

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Digest: The Act raises the age when a person may receive some gender-affirming treatments to 18 years of age. (Flesch Readability Score: 61.6).

Prohibits physicians from performing irreversible gender reassignment surgery on a minor. Creates exceptions.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

1
2 Relating to gender reassignment surgery.

3 **Be It Enacted by the People of the State of Oregon:**

4 **SECTION 1. Section 2 of this 2025 Act is added to and made a part of ORS chapter 677.**

5 **SECTION 2. (1) As used in this section:**

6 (a) **“Biological sex” means the biological indication of male or female in the context of**
7 **reproductive potential or capacity, such as sex chromosomes, naturally occurring sex**
8 **hormones, gonads and nonambiguous internal and external genitalia present at birth without**
9 **regard to a person’s psychological, chosen or subjective experience of gender.**

10 (b) **“Gender” means the psychological, behavioral, social and cultural aspects of being**
11 **male or female.**

12 (c) **“Gender transition” means the process involving any social, legal or physical changes**
13 **by which a person goes from identifying with and living as a gender that corresponds to the**
14 **person’s biological sex to identifying with and living as a gender different from the person’s**
15 **biological sex.**

16 (2) **Notwithstanding ORS 435.210, a physician may not perform any of the following pro-**
17 **cedures on a person under 18 years of age for the purpose of assisting the person with an**
18 **irreversible gender transition:**

19 (a) **Penectomy, orchiectomy, vaginoplasty, clitoroplasty or vulvoplasty for a biologically**
20 **male person or hysterectomy or oophorectomy for a biologically female person.**

21 (b) **Metoidioplasty, phalloplasty, vaginectomy, scrotoplasty or implantation of erection or**
22 **testicular prostheses for a biologically female person.**

23 (c) **Augmentation mammoplasty for a biologically male person or subcutaneous**
24 **mastectomy for a biologically female person.**

25 (3) **Notwithstanding subsection (2) of this section, a physician may provide the following**
26 **necessary services and medical treatment to a person under 18 years of age:**

27 (a) **Services to a person born with a medically verifiable disorder of sex development,**
28 **including a person with ambiguous external biological sex characteristics, such as being born**
29 **with 46 XX chromosomes with virilization or 46 XY chromosomes with undervirilization or**
30 **having both ovarian and testicular tissue.**

NOTE: Matter in **boldfaced** type in an amended section is new; matter *[italic and bracketed]* is existing law to be omitted. New sections are in **boldfaced** type.

1 **(b) Services provided when a physician has otherwise diagnosed a disorder of sex devel-**
2 **opment and has determined through genetic or biochemical testing that the person does not**
3 **have normal sex chromosome structure, sex steroid hormone production or sex steroid**
4 **hormone action.**

5 **(c) The treatment of any infection, injury, disease or disorder that has been caused or**
6 **exacerbated by the performance of a gender transition procedure, whether or not the gender**
7 **transition procedure was performed in accordance with state and federal law.**

8 **(d) Any procedure undertaken because the person suffers from a physical disorder,**
9 **physical injury or physical illness that would, as diagnosed by a physician, place the person**
10 **in imminent danger of death or impairment of major bodily function or death unless surgery**
11 **is performed.**

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