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Honorable Chair Laurie Monnes Anderson and Committee Members,

I am in opposition to HB2758A I see two problems.

1. Parents have the greatest concern for their children, over and above any other institution. HB2758 undermines that relationship.

Any time the government steps between the parent and minor child relationship is great cause of concern. Parents have the greatest love, concern and responsibility for the care of their child. This relationship was designed by God and is sacred. To assume that the government is a better care giver or has a more noble aspirations for the child goes against the history of mankind. Where there have been abuses of the parent/child relationship, they are far outweighed by any other institution. Assuming that the child is better able to manage their own health care, without the advice and consent of their parent is a flawed policy.

2. Physicians and their staff face additional legal barriers in caring for minor children under HB2758.

Pediatricians are already difficult to find.

Rather than deal with a difficult relationship or illness, a physician and their staff must now be part of the collusion against the parent's knowledge for a child's treatment. There will be mistakes that happen that lead to more lawsuits for medical providers. Physicians will be less likely to consult for a child when they are disallowed from disclosing that treatment to the parents.

I see this bill as a boon to Planned Parenthood bottom line. Services that if paid by others would be paid at a lower rate, under HB2758A would be billed to parents higher paying insurance, without their consent. Services that parents would not want for their child would become their responsibility. Open discussion, dealing with problems outright is a more healthful way to deal with them. If there are abuses, they need to be dealt with outright.

Please reject HB2758A

Best Regards,
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