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I am a resident of Ashland, OR and I oppose this bill. I feel the language 'for the purpose of changing someone's gender identity' is too vague and does not take into account instances of rapid onset gender dysphoria which therapists should be allowed to explore under protections, not threat, of the law. Everyone has the right to grow into who they truly are and part of protecting that for everyone is making sure those who identify as trans for reasons other than 'gender dysphoria' have access to care that explores root causes for their change in 'gender identity'. An affirming only model related to 'gender identity' is in opposition to insightful, holistic, evidence-based care and as such I strongly oppose this bill as currently written.