Submitter: Ed Diehl

On Behalf Of:

Committee: House Committee On Behavioral Health and Health Care

Measure: HB2002

I oppose HB 2002.

I own and operate a business in Oregon. We have been in business for 30+ years. I sacrifice my time and talent for the benefit of our community. However, bills like HB 2002, that are in stark contrast to all I believe in, make me seriously question what our State represents. Who can honestly support a State that wants to allow a child who is not yet mentally developed to make life changing decisions without the education and wisdom required to make those decisions, and without their parental consent. It's ludicrous and I do not support it.

This bill challenges our core beliefs that every life is precious and, together, we need to protect it.

I am against killing innocent children and/or allowing them to maim themselves, especially in the absence of parental guidance and consent.

If this bill is allowed to become law, it will further break down the foundation on which this State was built. If Oregon supports killing and maiming innocent children, then we create further division between our State and other United States of America and to our Republic, for which we stand, one Nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.