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This bill is completely illogical. Why would we allow children to make permanent life altering decisions not only without the consent of their parents or legal guardians, but without even their knowledge? Doesn't the word guardian imply guarding? Perhaps just maybe children have guardians because they need to be guarded? Apparently that's not an issue anymore. I mean we let 15 year old children drive automobiles without supervision. They can purchase cigarettes, alcohol, and firearms without restrictions. They can vote, gamble, and get married anytime they like. Oh wait a minute, no they can't actually do any of that. I wonder why not? Perhaps maybe because they are still growing, learning, and maturing and are not quite ready yet to make all of life's biggest decisions completely on their own. I mean they can't get a tattoo or a piercing, but we are going to let them have procedures performed without the knowledge of their parents or guardians that will literally alter their bodies in an attempt to transform them into something different than they currently are? That seems like an awfully big decision to make for someone who is prohibited from making other decisions on their own that seem far less impactful on the rest of their life. Did the people that wrote this bill ever once stop and think about the actual well being of the children involved here? Maybe they were so busy trying to advance the liberal political ideology of today, believing that abortion and transgender rights are so important that they outweigh the actual well being of the people involved? People are so focused on their own beliefs that they are willing to destroy the lives of children to advance themselves politically. Has anyone stopped to ask themselves why a woman's right to choose to take the life of her unborn child is more important than the right of that child to have life? Or are we so busy chanting "my body my choice" that we don't even think about the life of the child? When there are so many people in this state struggling to afford basic medical and dental care, why are we going to force the insurance companies to pay for what in reality are cosmetic procedures? This is only going to drive the cost of healthcare up even higher than it already is. Maybe it's more important for a boy to be able to look like a girl or a girl look like a boy than it is for someone else to get their knee or hip fixed so they can walk normally again, or their teeth fixed so they can eat normally again, or get their heart fixed so maybe they can continue to live, or get that thing checked to see if it's cancerous? So what's it going to be? Are we going to support this bill because it advances our liberal ideologies, or are we going to protect the children, the sick, and the underprivileged by not allowing this bill to advance? The choice is clear to me, and I'm asking you to please really consider the impact this bill would have on everyone involved including the unborn, it means life or death to them. Please protect the innocent and stop this bill. Thank you