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On Behalf Of:

Committee: House Committee On Behavioral Health and Health Care

Measure: HB2002

Please vote no on HB 2002. It's completely removing the parent who is the life guide for their child out of the equation. When parents aren't involved in their child's life, that child almost always becomes a troubled adult and creates a burden on the community. Parental guidance, love, and care is a must to be able to raise wholesome responsible adults that are valued members of the community. It doesn't take a genius to see the brokenness that is in our cities. The depravity that has taken over the youth is directly linked to these type of bills. Homelessness, drug addiction, teenage pregnancies, confusion, all come from the parent being omitted from the child's life by choice or otherwise. Doing irreversible surgery on children before their brain is fully developed to make decisions and understand consequences is abhorrent. And for the doctors to want to hide and be anonymous is an act of complete cowardice as well as unethical and immoral. You wouldn't want someone doing repairs on your home and not know or have any way to contact that person if things didn't go well. They can't maintain their anonymity because you would want them to correct what went haywire. It's no different in any other field. Vote no and thank you.