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Vote NO on HB 2002. Stop hurting kids who don't know what they will want in years to come. Damage is being done to children and young adults. The rapid rise of transitions is also being accompanied by a rapid rise in detransitions – we are not exercising necessary care to determine who should and should not receive treatment. 80-90% of the children with gender dysphoria grow out of it, why are we pushing them along to get transgender treatment? There are no long-term studies to support our approach.

These hormone and medical treatments commit our youth to a lifetime of chemical dependency. In some cases, they are made sterile or develop chronic symptoms as a result of their treatments. In too many cases, we are rushing to treatment at a time when our youth are the most vulnerable and confused. Instead of getting the care they deserve we are pushing them down a path of permanent change and regret.

Definitely don't want to pay for these drugs and operations with tax payer money!!!  
I'm a lifelong resident of Oregon and policies like this are destroying the state I love!!!