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On Behalf Of:

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Measure: HB2002

I strongly oppose bill HB 2002 as it allows minors to make decisions that would impact them for their entire life. No child has had enough wisdom to wisely make decisions in particular to changing their physical bodies especially during a period of life where their sexuality is just developing. We do not allow minors to drink alcohol nor use tobacco which would alter their state for a short period of time. How in the world would you allow the same child to undergo irreversible surgery that would remain permanent? We must use common sense in this area and stop this crazy agenda of forcing irreversible choices on our children that simply DO NOT have the proper life experience to make a decision of this magnitude. For many of the adults that have undergone this form of treatment, many have regretted their decision afterwards and some have even taken their own lives as a result of the surgery. As an Oregon tax payer I am 100% against this bill, nor do I want abortion drugs to be made available to minors in my state. This bill must be struck down for the safety of our children.