Submitter: Matt Hirschfelder

On Behalf Of:

Committee: House Committee On Behavioral Health and Health Care

Measure: HB2002

Dear chair Nosse, and members voting on house bill 2002,

I am opposed this bill and its recommended changes for several reasons. The language and purpose of this legislation continues to erode the relationship between parent and child. The state, medical community, gender controversialists, and those who want to use our states limited resources to break down the tenuous relationship parents and teenagers already have, should not interject their own beliefs over the parent (who is legally responsible for their children). How is it that the medical community and government would want to focus on 14 and 15 year old children to alter their potential as adults to produce future Oregonians with paid for medical hormone therapy but the teen can't get a sun tan? This legislation doesn't line up and has very limited and misconstrued research.

Additionally, this house bill 2002 infringes on my families personal religious beliefs. I maintain that this bill should be dumped and not moved forward as it violates our conscious decisions to protect inoccent children.

Please vote no on house bill 2002 and remember that you are fiscally responsible for how our taxes are spent. This potential for medical infrastructure and management language will annihilate our children's futures.

Thank you to consider voting NO on this Matter.