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On Behalf Of:

Committee: House Committee On Behavioral Health and Health Care

Measure: HB2002

As an educator I am deeply concerned about this bill passing which will give minors the ability to make adult decisions about their future, bodies and emotional well being. We all know the ups and downs of childhood. How one minute we are fill with joy and happiness and the next deep despair. To allow children to make life altering decisions concerning their genders would put them in positions they are not emotional capable of foreseeing the potential risks, hazards and consequences not only to their bodies but to their emotional stability. This bill should not pass! Parents need to be informed to help guide "their" own children on the potential risks and future outcomes of such a drastic decision. I strongly urge you to stop this bill from ever being introduced to the legislature. Sincerely, Michelle Shumate