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It is irresponsible to "fast track" a bill which so seriously jeopardizes the physical & mental health of teens.

This egregious bill is so concerning because of the breadth of unrelated issues covered, its emergency declaration, and that it was written at the urgent request of Gov. Kotek. All of these put together "camouflage" the fact that the governor and her retinue wanted to ensure that there would be NO barriers to getting what they (teachers' unions, organized medicine, OHSU, and big Pharm) want. This is about the ability to coerce troubled teens into very costly procedures at the tax payers' expense, never mind the irreversible effects of any kind of abortion, mutilating surgery, hormones prescribed to teens who are not intellectually or emotionally mature enough to make such decisions without parental involvement.

This is a very dangerous path on so many levels: the devaluation of life from conception to natural death, removal of parental rights, encouraging teens to disrespect their parents, increasing breakdown of the family and as a result, the breakdown of society.

THIS BILL NEEDS TO FAIL!