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I oppose this bill for a number of reasons: This bill bundles broadly based supported reproductive health care for female experimental and harmful gender affirming care treatments, diluting sex based protections by prioritizing gender identity over biological reality. The bill shields irreversible interventions that have weak long term evidence, while noncooperation clause could block probes into regret or harm and favor ideology over child safeguarding. In addition, there is an erosion of sex based rights. The provisions in the bill could undermine single sex spaces like women's shelters, prisons, and sports by enabling unchecked legal recognition of gender identity, contributing to the erasure of sex distinctions and compelled speech concerns. The bill may also fuel medical tourism from restrictive states, strain Oregon resources and normalize practices rooted in sexism or homophobia.