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On Behalf Of:  
Committee: Senate Committee On Judiciary  
Measure, Appointment or Topic: HB4088

I strongly oppose HB 4088. This bill would give no recourse to the thousands of women, girls & boys who have been & will be harmed by medical or surgical abortion and by the use of hormones &/or surgery to gravely change the health of those with gender dysphoria.

This bill protects only those who've rendered this so-called healthcare to vulnerable individuals who really need much better healthcare such as long-term individual therapy from a therapist who uses evidence based practices. Most European countries have ended "gender affirming" therapeutics several years ago due to the finding in the Kass Report which showed that such care actually caused irreversible harm, & that such treated patients actually were more depressed in the long run than before the procedures were administered.

In fact both the AMA & the American Society of Plastic Surgeons very recently reversed their positions & no longer support the use of hormones or surgery for gender dysphoria.

Why would Oregon Legislators propose HB 4088 in the first place? Why are these procedures so different from other medical/surgical procedures? Providers are NOT protected from liability for any other procedures & must carry Liability Insurance.

So much about HB 4088 is SO WRONG! PLEASE RE-THINK THIS BILL, READ THE KASS REPORT & THE READILY AVAILABLE ARTICLES ON BOTH THE AMA'S & THE AM. SOC. OF PLASTIC SURGEONS CHANGE IN THEIR STANDS.

PLEASE VOTE NO ON HB 4088.

Thank you!