Regarding LD 1735—An Act to Safeguard Gender-Affirming Health Care

Dear Senator Carney, Representative Moonen, and members of the joint standing Committee on the Judiciary:

The wicked plotteth against the just, and gnasheth upon him with his teeth.

The Lord shall laugh at him: for he seeth that his day is coming.

Psalm 37:12-13

The LORD gave children parents to protect them. Children are not the property of the state; nor is it up to teachers, counselors, social workers, doctors, or any other "experts" to undermine the parents' authority or encourage a child to be anything other than the sex he or she was born to be.

This bill is not about helping children; it's about aiding and abetting groomers and traffickers. As a dear friend of ours said yesterday, when we are at the point that this is what is being brought forth for consideration by our legislators, "God help us all!"

We respectfully submit that each of you must know this bill is evil. We pray that each of you will have the courage to **STAND and OPPOSE LD 1735** with a vote of **NEVER IN MY STATE!** (which in legislative terms reads "ought not to pass"). Thank you.

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