Lisa Dudley Marshfield LD 1735

Senator Carney and members of the Judiciary Committee, my name is Lisa Dudley, I am a resident of Marshfield.

I urge you to VOTE ought not to pass on LD 1735.

Between the ages of 15-17 I was introduced to bisexual and lesbian relationships. After a terrible break-up with a boyfriend of 2 years, I turned to same-sex relationships for over a year. When I found just as much confusion in all that goes on within a relationship I returned to choosing to pursue heterosexual relationship. Had all the pressure to think I was different or should be different, along with the medical procedures being encouraged and offered were available to me in those short 12 or so months- I fear I would have made drastic decisions that I would have regretted. I do not think you realize what you are opening up with these choices. Please protect our vulnerable youth as they are just trying to navigate their constantly changing bodies and all the emotions that go along with it.

We give them boundaries for cigarettes, drivers licenses, alcohol, voting..why is this severe body change not held at a much more important level of protection? Please help us to protect our youth with a voice of reason- we all had to wait for many things until "we were old enough" and we are not any worse off for the waiting. Vote OUGHT NOT TO PASS on LD1735

Thank you for your time.