Micah Renihan Topsham LD 227

Dear Representatives,

I urge you to oppose LD 227 An Act Regarding Health Care in the State. This bill oversteps the bounds of government authority on the basis of a cultural zeitgeist that has no solid grounding in science, education, nature, philosophy, logic, medicine, or religion. To allow children to receive treatment that would affect their biology without their parents' approval is inappropriate. Children are not able to make such weighty decisions for themselves, and the only ones who should be able to make a decision with and for their children are parents or legal guardians. A young person suffering with anorexia or bulimia may perceive their body in one way. This does not mean their perception is accurate, and they are not treated based on their perception. Why, then, do we treat children based on their perception of their gender? Please oppose this bill.