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Opposition to LD227

I respectfully voice my strong opposition to LD 227. It is a poorly written and dangerous bill.

After watching the public hearing testimony, I was shocked at the lack of knowledge of the supporters and of the major pitfalls of the proposed legislation. It tramples on parental rights, federal law, and mandated reporting. Supporters only talked about it as a "shield" bill to protect medical practitioners. Not once did the speak of protecting children. Transgender surgery also has not been proven to help young people with gender incongruence. In fact, Sweden had banned the surgery.

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Vote NO on LD 227