

Testimony of Joel Littlefield

LD227

Senator Baily, Representative Perry and Members of the Committee on Health Coverage and Financial Services

My name is Joel Littlefield. I live in Wiscasset. I'm a father of 4, a husband, and pastor and I stand in opposition to LD227. Why are you entertaining this bill as though it contains truth, when both God and science prove it to be sinful and disastrous to soul and society?

It's no wonder that many of our youth are confused about who they are when there's not a single government-school in our state teaching children to seek the God of Scripture. That's where their value comes from...just the way they are...male and female, boy or girl, made in His image. The writers of our constitution read their bibles for wisdom in forming our free land. Will you open yours later to see that there is nothing there that sides with this bill?

As a father, I know that kids need time to develop, especially when making decisions that will affect their long-term future. My boys had a new idea every week about what they wanted to be when they grew up. My daughters struggled to pick out clothes for each day. Those are low pressure decisions. Would you suggest altering the course of their life forever based on ever-changing emotions? The part of the brain that does this efficiently won't finish developing well into adult years? That is not how you raise children.

"adults think with the prefrontal cortex. This is the part of the brain that responds to situations with good judgment and an awareness of long-term consequences. However, teens process information with the amygdala. This is the emotional part. That's why when teens have overwhelming emotional input, they can't explain later what they were thinking. They weren't thinking as much as they were feeling." (4) Dr Joseph Campellone

Behind closed doors, every transgender adult is miserable, broken, regretful, and without peace. That's the untold story. The façade is fake. What children need in that moment of confusion, when they're running into danger, is for a loving mother, father, or grandparent to utter that blessed two letter word... "NO", and walk with them in unconditional love and truth.

This bill denies parents this precious right.

Ladies and gentlemen, you are not children, which means your prefrontal cortex is fully formed and you can discern the consequences. Mark my words, and the words of many others today... a yes vote on this bill will ruin generation. Be on the righteous side of history...stand up for YOUR future generations. Kill this bill and begin drafting bills that save children and promote family. Turn from this plan of destruction, and seek the Lord, Jesus Christ, who's kindness and patience lends you the very breath in your lungs.

I strongly oppose LD227.

Thank you for your time.