

My name is Tonya Kassa, and I'm a resident of Gorham. I'm here to testify in opposition to bill LD 227

I'm very concerned about this bill, both the content and the unscrupulous way the legislature rolled this out. Placing a dummy bill with 2 sentences for months on end, then adding a 22-page addendum 5 days before the public comments is unethical, but sadly something I've come to expect from your current members. You parade around the news speaking about democracy, but every chance you get, you try to silence the voice of the public.

That is bad enough, however now with this bill you are going after something sacred. You are tampering with parents' rights and are so out of touch with reality you think you can even deny parents from other states the right to protect their own children. You are pushing state sanctioned kidnapping and castration of children. There is no such thing as gender reassignment, there is only genital mutilation. When you allow and even encourage this path for confused children, you are condemning your own soul to eternal damnation.

You may not believe this, and I'm sure you don't want to hear it, but there is a God and you are not Him. The bible clearly warns about what happens to people who encourage a child to turn away from the truth. Mark 9:42 "Whoever causes one of these little ones who believe in me to sin, it would be better for him if a great millstone were hung around his neck and he were thrown into the sea."

I'm praying for you to vote no on this bill for the children and also for your soul. The reason for my testimony is to bear witness to you so that it is 100% clear that voting yes to this bill is against God's law of family and against his creation. We will all face the judgement seat of Christ. If you vote yes to this bill, you can no longer plead ignorance on that fateful day. My testimony and the testimony of every person writing to you will be held against you.

I pray you think about that, and vote ought not to pass.

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