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Testimony of Robert Cross

Against LD 227

An Act Regarding Health Care in the State

Senator Bailey, Representative Perry and members of the committee. My name is Rob Cross, I want to thank you for the opportunity to stand here today and voice my opposition to LD 227.

I am in opposition to this bill for many reasons, in fact the reasons are so numerous I struggled to prioritize them. I will begin by stating that we need to end this state sponsored assault on our children, and on life itself. The attempts to create chaos and destroy our families have become so blatant that it cannot be denied by the creators of this bill. Ideas and legislation such as this only conceive trouble and give birth to disillusionment. We should not be supporting, or endorsing dysphoria among the youth of our nation, or exercising arrogance to say it is our right to kill a baby in the womb. As a society we cannot continue to create special rights for a few, while steamrolling the majority, all of our rights are equal under our existing laws. In addition to this assault on life itself, I do not believe any consideration has been given to the social and economic side-effects of such legislation. Will this create a rush of litigation from other health care providers, or industries, seeking the same benefits and protections, or is it only for those that destroy and mutilate? As the bill is written it appears it will attract the less qualified service providers within the medical field, thus causing additional harm. What will be done when the price of insurance skyrockets for others in the state and it pressures them to go elsewhere to do business? Is the next step to prohibit insurance carriers from withdrawing from the state, creating further issues to coverage for all? Does this create an unfair business environment, thus picking winners and losers? Is this now creating an attack on capitalism which is no different than an assault to our rights to life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness? What do we now do with the children after they have received this affirming care, as it appears we are encouraging strife within families, so many will likely be estranged. To me it appears we already struggle to protect children in our state without adding more. What is the impact on our first amendment by compelling speech and behavior? What is the impact of our 14th amendment where we are assured equal treatment under the law? Where is the protection of the concept of the rule of law and the ability safeguard justice moving forward? To say this is a slippery slope is an understatement. This is an incredibly poorly drafted bill and evil in it's intent. It is my duty as a believer, a father, a grandfather and as a citizen of this country to reject any type of evil. In closing, I would like to further remind everyone that the children of this country are not property of the government. And these are just a few of the reasons I oppose LD 227 Thank you for listening.