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It is time for Maine legislators to prove that they are worthy of the stewardship they have been vested with by the citizens of Maine. This includes those citizens the law deems not old enough to get married, drink alcohol, smoke tobacco, get tattoos and piercings, drive, serve in the military or cast a vote. While adults are free to do what they wish, those who are considered not old enough to make life and health-altering decisions are also supposed to be protected by the law from the harmful actions of others towards them, including school personnel. Why would school personnel actively try to put up barriers of secrecy between children and parents? The fact that enshrining secrecy in law is being attempted at all should be of urgent concern to every legislator and Maine parent, regardless of political or ideological orientation.

Why have our public schools become the giant, stinking loophole where in loco parentis adults – self-proclaimed professionals in various aspects of child development – are free to secretly usher children into a multi-billion dollar, rapidly growing "gender transition" industry, blazed into life and fed by school counselors, social workers, non-profit organizations embedded within the Maine Department of Education and Maine classrooms, doctors, psychologists, surgeons, the pharmaceutical industry, gender clinics, etc.?...

Looking at the long list of actions that are illegal for minors to make should put the danger and absurdity of adults facilitating minors' gender transition into high relief for lawmakers, parents and administrators, yet among many in leadership positions in the legislature, Maine Department of Education and our local schools, it has not; we must ask, why not? Has the 14th Amendment, which protects the fundamental right of parents to direct the care, upbringing and education of their children disappeared? Can any lawmaker or government official condone the selective flouting of such an explicit and clear Constitutional right?

The Maine Department of Education and thousands of taxpayer-funded school counselors, teachers, principals, superintendents, social workers, as well as nonprofits, legislators and school boards are not only complicit in this disaster, they are fueling it with the bodies, minds and souls of the children they are sworn to protect. Shame on them all.