

To our elected representatives,

When will the insanity stop? What you are considering today is astonishing. That this bill has been put forward and that you are considering making it law reveals the moral decay we have come to. It is not loving to allow out-of-state children to come to Maine and make decisions that they can never undo. It is not loving to circumvent parents who know and love these children (their children!) much more than you do by enticing their children with these false and destructive promises of sanctuary. Children are confused. They are vulnerable. Many are abused and neglected and from this feel estranged from their bodies. We have great sympathy for these children and want to help them with their pain and confusion - but making life altering decisions of bodily mutilation that they can never undo, tinkering with their hormones with a cocktail of medications and chemical “therapies” is not helping them. Let’s use common sense here people! These are children! This transgender moment has really turned into a mindless cult. And people are snapping out of this, thankfully. We’ve seen transgender clinics shut down world-wide because people realize that this is not the way. We’ve gone too far. What was thought to be helping we realize is hurting, and those who have already made these life altering decision now regret having seized the body when the real struggle was with the mind. This bill ensures more regret, more pain, more struggle, more estrangement, more hurt, more mutilation, and more confusion. Maine people do not want this. Please lay aside your own ideologies and do what you were elected to do - represent the people of this state. They voted you in to work for them, legislate for them, and ensure a better future for them. Why then are you so concerned with luring in children from other states? That is not your job. Do your job. Work for Mainers. Stop preying on the young and the vulnerable of those outside of this state, and God help you if you are a parent yourself voting for something as vile for this. I pray His mercy on you all and for all of us in this state.

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