Robert Roemmich Bangor LD 227

Honorable members of the Health Coverage, Insurance and Financial Services Committee:

My name is Bob Roemmich from Bangor, and I am writing in opposition to this draconian amendment being considered under the bill number of LD 227.

First of all, I believe this committee is the wrong committee to be considering this particular amendment and believe that the Judiciary Committee would be the better committee to deal with this amendment, as it is dealing with legal rights of parents, children, and the legalities presented in an action such as this.

Do the Sate of Maine citizens desire to be complicit in kidnapping and trafficking in abductions just because a "woke" counselor or other "health professional" counseled them in another state, that their "client" is in the wrong body? I trust they do not and that is the real reason for this amendment being scheduled in this manner - to hide the intent of this action from the people of Maine because the authors knew that this action was against the will of the people of Maine.

My remarks on this piece of legislation is that this amendment is that it is so out of touch with what Mainers want. Not to mention that this legislation would strip parents, in other US States, their God-given right to bring their child up in the way they deem best, not what some other relative, or acquaintance, or perpetrator thinks is in the best interest of a child.

What you, as a committee, are saying, is that the State of Maine will allow any AND ALL "gender-affirming" health care AND abortions on demand, at no cost to the patient, but to the Maine taxpayers and the parents (who are not even present in the state) to be liable for little Johnny or Susie or whoever, to change physical attributes present visually on their bodies, or taking of life at any point.

All gloves off, when is this state legislature going to listen to the people they represent rather than listening to the "woke" faction and /or special interest groups? Do we, as a state, want to end up being feature on the TV show, "Unsolved Mysteries", where they look for children and people who may have been abducted to satisfy someone's ideal for that other person

A lot of the confusion, and why I think we are here at this point in this discussion, is the breakdown of the family in big ways. The state should be affirming the family values that many Mainers hold dear, not trying to dictate that parents are criminal because they are not in agreement with the "woke" or special interest crowd.

I, as a taxpayer, DO NOT want my taxes going to pay the bills that would be racked up and passed on to the citizens of Maine as a result of this action by this committee. I also DO NOT want the state dictating what my child, or grandchild, or another parents child / children needs for healthcare.

I know this is shorter than some of my testimonies to other committees, but I am just as passionate about saving the families in their God-given roles (which this amendment does not do, just the opposite).

Respectfully submitted

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