

Savana Schools  
Waterville  
LD 227

My name is Savana, I am 15 years old and I am from Waterville.

I wondered if you might think with me for a second. Imagine I was your teenager, would you consent to me getting a tattoo, buying cigarettes, alcohol, what about marijuana? How about this, as a fifteen year old I can't join the military or even apply for a drivers permit without the consent of a parent or guardian. Why? Because I, as a minor am too young to make those decisions for myself. Therefore, I shouldn't be able to make a gender transforming, life altering decision without the consent of my parents or guardian. Now think with me again you as my parent you wouldn't condone the thought of my teacher, a peer, or a stranger taking your child to a foreign state, to then assist your minor to go through the process of gender transformation or the act of an in human abortion without your knowledge or consent. Not only does this bill allow these things to happen without consent, but it leaves law enforcement, parents, and guardians unable to intervene with these actions. I ask you to avoid playing politics with people's lives, to listen to the people you represent, and vote against LD227