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I am very concerned about this piece of proposed legislation. I am extremely disappointed that this is even a thought that any person would put forward. In terms of allowing children to cross state lines without parental consent or knowledge is kidnapping. To think otherwise is faulty. My parental rights do not come from the government, and the government has no right to think they know better than the parent with regards to a child's best interest. This would strip parents of their rights and opens Maine up as a sanctuary state for all children at odd with their parents to make a permanent decision. When they regret it later, who do they turn to to fix it? The state that made that decision for them? Why is it so important to you that children be allowed to make such a permanent decision without parents' permission but not allowed to get a piercing, tattoo, participate in a sports program, buy cigarettes, etc? Ask yourselves why you feel this is an important agenda to push. In terms of the abortion as a constitutional right- again, allowing a child to make a decision that can have real long term consequence is improper. What if something goes wrong? What if they have a uterine atony and subsequent hemorrhage, uterine perforation, injuries to adjacent organs (bladder or bowels), cervical laceration, failed abortion, septic abortion, or disseminated intravascular coagulation? Abortion can lead to permanent sterilization and mental health disease. To allow a child to make such an enormous medical decision without parental consent is evil. Why is it that the state of Maine is pushing to strip parents of their rights to make a decision for their child? I know that abusers can use this new proposed legislation to continue abusing their victims without repercussions as they can cover up their crime by forcing abortion. As a survivor myself, I urge you to not allow such a decision to be made without parental knowledge. This doesn't even play into the fact that abortion kills a child and to allow for this in any capacity is evil. I want all of you to really look into your hearts and examine what it is that is making you feel that you need to push such an extreme piece of legislation. The amount of children that this will hurt far outweighs any good you believe that you will be achieving. Your thoughts are warped and honestly I pray for your conversion of hearts and for clarity. Let's take the moral and ethical piece out of this and focus on financial. How is it that the state of Maine is forcing tax payer dollars to fund such "healthcare"? Financially when we are sued by other states and parents where is the money going to come from to pay the restitution and fines? Why are you willing to gamble on us, the tax payers, just to justify your agenda? I end with this, Matthew 18:15-17- you are doing wrong and more than 2 have told you, do not lose yourself or your eternal salvation for this evil agenda. Our creator did not make mistakes when he chose us to be the parents. Our children need to be protected, especially from the government and the evil that you propose and hide as "healthcare rights". Anne Perry, I am so disappointed and greatly saddened to hear that you sponsor and helped create such an evil piece of legislation. God bless you all and I pray for each of you, sincerely I do.