Sandra Warner Brunswick LD 227

Dear Senator Baily, Representative Perry, and Members of the Committee on Health Coverage and Financial Services,

My name is Sandra Warner, and I live in Brunswick. I am the mother of two grown children, and grandmother of three. I am a lifelong resident of Maine, and I find it disheartening and upsetting that

LD227 is being presented today – this is not the way life should be here in Maine! Maine should not be a sanctuary state for abortion and transgender "medical care".

We have age restrictions for health and safety reasons for many things. In Maine, a person must be 18 to have an unrestricted driver's license. A person must be at least 17 to enter any branch of our military. In order to protect our children, they cannot drink alcohol or use tobacco products until age 21.

Anyone who has children knows how often they change their mind about something simple like their favorite color during the course of their childhood, so why would we allow a child to make the life altering decision to change their sex because they think that's what they want? The prefrontal cortex isn't fully developed and matured until the approximate age of 25. Why would we even consider allowing a child to make the decision to change their sex before they are capable of making a fully informed decision?

We are made in the image of God, and God created two sexes: male and female. That's all. He didn't make a mistake when he created any one of us living here on earth, and we don't get to "play God" by "changing" our sex. Transitioning from one sex to another is destructive, and it's ruined many lives.

You may know this already, but in case you don't and for the sake of your soul, please understand that one day we will all face a Holy and Just God, and we will be accountable for our decisions here on earth. Please stand up for what is right. Protect parental rights, our children, grandchildren and future children and grandchildren by defeating LD227.

Thank you for your time.

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