

“Child Protection & Parental Rights Act”

Section 1. Title.

This Act shall be known as the “Child Protection & Parental Rights Act.”

Section 2. Legislative Findings & Purpose.

(a) The State has a compelling interest in safeguarding the health, bodily integrity, fertility, and future procreative capacity of minors.

(b) Human beings are created male or female; biological sex is objective and ascertainable at birth.

(c) Sterilization, loss of sexual function, decreased bone density, and other risks associated with cross-sex hormones, puberty blockers for sex-discordant purposes, and gender-related surgeries are significant and frequently irreversible.

(d) Parents have the fundamental right and duty to direct the upbringing, education, medical care, and moral formation of their children.

(e) This Act affirms the State’s duty to prevent medical, psychological, or institutional practices that harm minors or undermine parental rights.

Section 3. Definitions.

(1) “Minor” means a person under 18.

(2) “Biological sex” means the sex recognized at birth, determined by genetics and reproductive anatomy.

(3) “Gender transition procedure” means any medical or surgical service provided to a minor for the purpose of attempting to alter or affirm a perception of gender or sex discordant with the minor’s biological sex, including:

(A) Puberty blockers when prescribed for sex-discordant purposes;

(B) Cross-sex hormones;

(C) Surgeries that alter or remove healthy sex organs or secondary sex characteristics.

(4) “Health care professional” includes any person licensed or authorized to provide health services.

(5) “School” includes public, charter, and private K-12 institutions.

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Section 4. Prohibition on Gender Transition Procedures for Minors.

(a) A health care professional shall not perform or cause to be performed a gender transition procedure on a minor.

(b) A health care professional shall not refer a minor to another professional for a gender transition procedure.

(c) Insurance policies regulated by the state shall not cover gender transition procedures for minors.

(d) Public funds shall not be used, directly or indirectly, to pay for or subsidize gender transition procedures for minors.

Section 5. Exceptions.

(a) This Act does not prohibit:

(1) Treatment of a minor with a medically verifiable disorder of sex development (e.g., 46,XX/46,XY DSD) where the minor’s sex is indeterminate and treatment is intended to correct a physiological abnormality;

(2) Treatment of precocious puberty consistent with established endocrine standards when not used for the purpose of gender transition;

(3) Procedures to treat a minor who has suffered an injury, disease, or physical disorder that would place him or her outside normal biological development, provided the treatment restores typical function consistent with biological sex.

(b) Psychological or psychiatric counseling that does not recommend or prepare for a prohibited procedure is permitted.

Section 6. Enforcement & Remedies.

(a) Professional Discipline: The state licensing board shall treat violations as unprofessional conduct.

(b) Civil Enforcement by Attorney General: The AG may seek injunctive relief, civil penalties up to \$25,000 per violation, and costs.

(c) Private Right of Action: A minor upon reaching majority, or a parent/guardian on behalf of a minor, may bring a civil action within (i) 20 years from majority, or (ii) 10 years from discovery of injury, whichever is later. Remedies include actual damages, statutory damages (\$25,000 minimum), punitive damages for willful violations, and attorney’s fees.

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(d) Whistleblower Protections: Employees who report violations are protected from retaliation.

Section 7. School Policies.

(a) Facilities & Teams: Schools shall maintain sex-segregated bathrooms, locker rooms, and overnight accommodations based on biological sex.

(b) Sports: Participation on interscholastic sports teams shall be determined by biological sex.

(c) Name/Pronoun Interventions: No school shall socially transition a minor (e.g., pronouns, names inconsistent with legal records, private facilities accommodations) without written parental consent; compelled speech policies violating staff conscience or parents’ rights are prohibited.

(d) Curriculum Transparency: Schools shall post online, at least 14 days in advance, all instructional materials concerning gender identity and human sexuality; parents may opt their child out without penalty.

Section 8. Parental Bill of Rights (Education & Health).

(a) Parents have the right to:

(1) Access all educational and counseling records;

(2) Provide or withhold consent for health services, surveys, or counseling related to sex, gender identity, or mental health;

(3) Be promptly notified of any significant change in their child’s mental, emotional, or physical health, including gender distress.

(b) Violations create a private right of action with attorney’s fees.

Section 9. Conscience & Free Speech Protections.

(a) No health care professional, educator, or student shall be compelled to speak contrary to their sincerely held religious or moral beliefs regarding sex and gender.

(b) Public entities shall not discriminate against protected speech consistent with biological sex and parental rights.

Section 10. Data & Reporting.

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- 87 (a) The Department of Health shall annually report de-identified data on: diagnoses of
88 gender dysphoria in minors; referrals; mental-health comorbidities; and any adverse
89 events associated with off-label endocrine use in minors.
- 90 (b) Schools shall annually report de-identified data on parental-opt-outs and complaints
91 related to Section 7.
- 92 **Section 11. Construction, Severability, Effective Date.**
- 93 (a) This Act shall be construed to protect minors and parental rights consistent with the
94 state and federal constitutions.
- 95 (b) If any provision is held invalid, the remainder shall remain in force.
- 96 (c) Effective 90 days after enactment.