

1 TO THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES:

2 The Committee on Human Services to which was referred Senate Bill No.  
3 132 entitled “An act relating to the prohibition of conversion therapy on  
4 minors” respectfully reports that it has considered the same and recommends  
5 that the House propose to the Senate that the bill be amended in Sec. 2, in  
6 18 V.S.A. § 8351, by striking out subdivision (1) in its entirety and inserting in  
7 lieu thereof as follows:

8 (1) “Conversion therapy” means any practice by a mental health care  
9 provider that seeks to change an individual’s sexual orientation or gender  
10 identity, including efforts to change behaviors or gender expressions or to  
11 eliminate or reduce sexual or romantic attractions or feelings toward  
12 individuals of the same sex or gender. “Conversion therapy” does not include  
13 psychotherapies that:

14 (A) provide support to an individual undergoing gender transition; or  
15 (B) provide acceptance, support, and understanding of clients or the  
16 facilitation of clients’ coping, social support, and identity exploration and  
17 development, including sexual-orientation-neutral or gender-identity-neutral  
18 interventions to prevent or address unlawful conduct or unsafe sexual practices  
19 without seeking to change an individual’s sexual orientation or gender identity.

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FOR THE COMMITTEE