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To: Kate Donnally; Martin LaLonde; Joseph Andriano; Angela Arsenault; Michelle Bos-Lun; Alyssa Black

Subject: H.89

Dear Representative Donnally,

Please reconsider the proposed legislation for bill H.89. H.89 is clearly legislation meant to protect physicians, pharmaceutical companies, psychiatrists, and other healthcare providers who are pushing gender affirming care on susceptible unhappy children and teens before these teens and children are ready to fully weigh what it would mean to them to transition. It is now clear that many of these children and teens later regret their choices including taking puberty blockers, hormones, or undergoing mutilating surgery. It is also clear that lifelong health problems like infertility, genital atrophy, and pain from surgery are some of the consequences that result from transitioning to another gender. Why would you deny these children and teens recompense for health problems that have resulted from healthcare providers whose bottom line is that they are trying to make money and who truly have little or no concern for the consequences to the teens or children?

Thank you for your time and consideration.
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