

Senate State Affairs Committee
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TESTIMONY ON: All Subjects

Written Testimony

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Julie Reister-Keaton	H 645	W	self	Sandpoint	For	N	1

Please vote in favor of H645. This bill clarifies procedures following a school board trustee recall and when a recall election is certified. H645 addresses when recalled school board members can no longer make decisions and defines what decisions remaining board members can and cannot make. West Bonner County School District experienced post-recall difficulties that no school district should have to go through. Voting for H645 will solve such problems if they arrive in the future.

Thank you for your time and your service.

Julie Reister-Keaton
Sandpoint/Bonner County

Nancy Britton	H 645	W	self	Ponderay	For	N	1
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Dear Legislators,

This is a well thought out bill based on our local experience here in North Idaho, when the West Bonner County School District recalled two of its board members resulting in the lack of a state defined "quorum" and were unable to make decisions. This bill with its clear redefinition of how to conduct business, will allow school boards to continue to function.

Thank you for thinking though this process so well,
Nancy Britton

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Clarice McKenney	H 645	W	Self	Bonnors Ferry	For	N	1
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As a 27-year resident of Idaho, I watched in horror as our neighboring community of Priest River struggled with lame-duck board members. Although these board members had been voted out, they tried to make major, consequential board decisions that would have been grossly detrimental to the educational work of the district. Please vote for the bill sponsored by my Representative, Mark Sauter, which does the most comprehensive job of preventing future problems for districts like mine that could be similar or worse than those experienced by the West Bonner School District. Thank you for your time and work in this matter. Sincerely, Clarice McKenney, Bonnors Ferry/Boundary

robin lundgren	H 645	W	Self	Bonnors Ferry	For	N	1
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I believe H-645 clarifies procedures following a school board trustees recall.

It defines what kinds of decisions remaining board members can and cannot make. Perhaps even more importantly it addresses when recalled board members can no longer make decisions. This bill targets problems in District 1 had, and people in West Bonner School District support it.

Please vote yes on H-645.

Thank you,
Robin Lundgren
Bonnors Ferry

Pam Duquette	H 645	W	Self	Sandpoint	For	N	1
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Dear Committee Chair: I am in support of this bill as a retired educator, and grandmother of students in the West Bonner School District that was the impetus for this bill to be written because of their experience after their recall election. The bill helps clarify procedures following a school board trustee recall. This bill helps define what decisions remaining board members can and cannot make after a recall election. With this bill, other school districts may have direction if they find themselves in the same position as WBCSD was in when their board could no longer make decisions with the remaining board members after their successful recall. It should help alleviate post-recall issues. Thank you for your consideration in passing this bill 645.

Sincerely, Pam Duquette

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Jean Gerth	H 645	W	self	Sagle	For	N	1
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I am in support of this bill. The events that unfolded around the West Bonner County School Board demand that we do better. This bill clarifies the procedures following trustee recall, and will prevent future problems.

Nancy Britton	H 666	W	self	Ponderay	Against	N	1
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Dear Legislators,

According to Idaho Law, curriculum materials decisions are under local control, meaning that the elected board of trustees adopts (or rejects) curriculum and works with their librarians to review materials. Further, local officials evaluate curriculum and oversee library materials based on content. This bill says nothing about content, it's only about who provides the material. Business and/or marketing materials are not included on national and state library associations carefully reviewed lists of appropriate materials for schools, public libraries, or museums. These decisions are best made by local school systems and not mandated by the state.

Thank you for your time,
Nancy Britton

Katie Knobbs	H 666	W	Self	Sandpoint	Against	N	1
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The decision of the sex curriculum education is at the discretion school board. Restricting where they can obtain their material is taking away their local authority.

Kristi Hardy	H 666	W	self	Kuna	For	N	23
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Please keep Planned Parenthood away from our kids!

Dylan Goldade	H 666	W	Self	Boise	Against	N	16
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Hello again,

Learning about options is not a crime. Knowledge cannot be hidden. Making learning about abortion illegal will not make it go away.

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This is a waste of taxpayer time and money to even consider

I urge a strong no vote on this bill that only adds to the crisis of care in this state

Marilyn Beckett	H 666	W	Self	Moscow	Against	N	6
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I want my grandchildren to receive proper sex education and access to contraception. This information is important for their health and well-being. That is why it is integrated into curriculum. I knew too many girls who, when beginning to menstruate, were very frightened because they did not yet understand "the cycle". It is important for young women to have knowledge of their bodies and control over them. I have been very sad, and angry, that our legislature does not agree with this basic tenet. Civil rights are not unconstitutional because a person has a uterus, unless you live in a state like Idaho, where females are considered merely incubators, librarians dangerous and guns sacred.

This bill is poorly written. It fails miserably to provide the supposed transparency it strives to provide, though I think I read it well between the lines. Vote NAY.

Vickie Fadness	H 666	W	self	Lewiston	Against	N	7
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Please oppose H666

Girls and women should know the dangers self-induced abortions. Information protects people.

Honest and informative discussions about contraception, abortions, and laws prevents pregnancies and save lives.

This bill denies women over the age of 18, the right to learn about or receive emergency contraception from Idaho public institutions of higher education putting them at risk when they need support the most.

Whether we like it or not, people of all ages have sex – it makes sense to help them learn how to protect themselves from pregnancies and disease.

Ignorance doesn't solve the problems, it makes problems.

Thank you for your time.

Vickie Fadness

Rosann Mathews	H 666	W	Self	Rockland	Against	N	28
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As a lifelong Idahoan, woman, mother, and taxpayer I am vehemently against this bill.

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It saddens me that some representatives in Idaho are pushing legislation that limits the rights of Idahoans.

This bill to ban educational materials that would help young people understand and make better choices in their lives is reprehensible.

Not to mention that we are already losing healthcare providers because of the other legislation on abortion and healthcare that has been passed.

Vote No!!

Joseph Crupper	H 668	W	self	Pocatello	Against	N	29
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Senators,

I am asking you to vote no on this bill.

This is rude to trans people.

It targets them specifically.

It will not stand in court.

I pay taxes. I'd love for my taxes to go towards funding gender transition related costs.

I demand you listen to us.

NO on HB 668.

Joseph Crupper

Mads Scott	H 668	W	Self	Caldwell	Against	N	11
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I am against this bill. The phrasing is too vague to encompass the intent of the bill and has the potential to effect not only those on public health plans, but also students living on state grounds and government employees should they need to self-administer their medications while on state-owned property. From a purely financial aspect, providing gender affirming care is less expensive to the state than paying for the emotional and physical suffering of those who cannot access it. Limiting access to gender affirming care creates an increased load on mental health professionals and emergency services and decreases population productivity. If this is to truly be an

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Idaho by Idahoans for Idahoans then we need to support each other and allow for those that have differing care needs (such as gender transition care) to access that care when and as it is needed. I ask that you please take all of this into consideration and vote against HB668.

Rose Lonardo	H 668	W	Self	Pocatello	Against	N	29
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I want my tax dollars to pay for other Idahoan's gender transition. This bill will cause unnecessary harm towards vulnerable individuals. Removing hormone access to these individuals will cause them to pass away, either through the health complications of stopping hormones or through suicidality. These claims are based off of leading health institutions around the world and empirical evidence. This bill represents a form of government overreach that goes against the people's obligation to provide necessary medical intervention for other Idahoans with their tax dollars. The harm to life will undoubtedly cause a hit to Idaho's economy and create unnecessary lawsuits. Gender affirming care provides these individuals the capability of being contributing members of society. Without it we will lose Idahoans.

Nikson Mathews	H 668	IP	Self	Boise	Against	Y	16
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Chair and Members of the Committee,

My name is Nikson Mathews. I live in Boise Idaho, District 16.

I'm here to express my strong opposition to HB668. To me - this bill comes down to two words - Medical Necessity.

According to the Idaho Medicaid Booklet, services MUST be available when medically necessary to meet an individual's treatment needs. But in lines 29-34, this bill states that Gender-Affirming Care, as it relates to trans and non-binary Idahoans, is 'never necessary.'

So let's talk about medical necessity.

I have extensive documentation, including notarized letters from my Idaho-based therapists and doctors, all affirming the medical necessity of my gender-affirming care. I even have notarized documents from a judge and documents from government entities, accepting the statements of my therapist and doctors. This represents the scrutiny that trans and non-binary individuals endure to prove medical necessity.

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Every major medical organization backs gender-affirming care. Moira Szilagyi (Shee-la-gee), past president of the American Academy of Pediatrics, stated, "There is strong consensus among the most prominent medical organizations worldwide that evidence-based, gender-affirming care for transgender children and adolescents is medically necessary and appropriate. It can even be lifesaving."

Research consistently demonstrates that gender-affirming care significantly improves, extends, and saves lives. If saving lives isn't considered medically necessary, what is?

The provision in HB668 stating gender-affirming care is "never necessary" is dangerous. It disregards the wealth of evidence supporting the medical necessity of this care and the expertise of healthcare professionals dedicated to providing care to trans and non-binary individuals.

I urge you to oppose HB668.

Naomi Trueman	H 668	W	Self	Boise	Against	N	15
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I am vehemently against HB 668. This bill is discriminatory towards transgender people and seeks to control what medical access grown adults are able to get. Idaho should be a state that is welcoming to all people, regardless of gender identity. Passing laws like this does not protect anybody. Please vote no on HB 668.

Talia Sturkie	H 668	V	Self	Meridian	Against	Y	22
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I have been a long-time resident of Idaho who recently returned to the State after studying out of State for law school. I only recently became aware of HB 668 and am appalled by the contents. This bill is harmful to the residents of this state, far moreso than any supposed benefit it will provide.

Gender-affirming care is necessary medical treatment for thousands of people, and there is no legitimate reason to specifically exclude it from taxpayer funding. It is almost certainly a minimal portion of the State's medical expenses, and the risks and consequences of such care are thoroughly explained to patients. In my view, the only reasons for such a bill are rooted in bigotry and fear. And this bill demonstrates a fundamental misunderstanding of the people affected and their proper medical treatments. These medical procedures and prescriptions are decisions that should remain fully between the individuals seeking them and their prescribing doctors and should not face the undue inhibition of the State through this sort of, frankly, hateful legislation.

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I am strongly opposed to this Bill and urge you all to vote against it and prevent this discriminatory policy from entering State law. A lack of personal understanding of the situation these people are in, or a religious belief that such care is unnecessary or otherwise objectionable is no reason to effectively take this care away from thousands of Idaho residents, as removing the funding would almost certainly do. The lack of empathy this bill embodies has no place in the Idaho I know and love, and I hope the senators can agree with that.

Thank you,
Talia Sturkie

Makayla Sundquist	H 668	W	Self	Kootenai	Against	N	1
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I am against this bill. This bill is discrimination. This is also such blatant government overreach. Why is the state of Idaho so obsessed with a person's medical care? This bill should not be passed.

Nancy Britton	H 668	W	self	Ponderay	Against	N	1
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Dear Legislators,

This is a painfully biased bill against a small minority of Idahoans. Everyone is entitled to standard accepted practices of medical care, including people whose lifestyle or decisions we might personally disagree with. Legislators or the state are not licensed medical practitioners and do not have any right to make medical decisions for other people.

Thank you for your service,
Nancy Britton

Lily Pannkuk	H 668	IP	Self	Boise	Against	Y	17
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This is an extreme healthcare ban for trans and nonbinary Idahoans. It is targeted to one community and one community only: trans and nonbinary Idahoans. For all the lawyers on this committee, that should itself be setting off some red flags. This kind of bill goes against the US Constitution and the morals and ideals the founding fathers set forth.

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Idahoans support medically necessary, life-saving care for trans and nonbinary people. Gender affirming care is not experimental and should be accessible for those who need it.

There is a lot of misinformation and disinformation today about gender affirming care. A recent document titled "WPATH Files" was debunked (read more here: <https://www.erininthemorning.com/p/fact-check-216-instances-of-factual>) as well as a document from last year known as "the Finnish Study" (read more here: <https://www.erininthemorning.com/p/fact-checked-new-problematic-finnish>) and again and again over the years. I have no doubt that many of you have been sent both of these documents, but I urge you to read the fact-checkers and their notes about these documents. Many organizations publish studies with the intent of "disproving" either gender affirming care or trans identities. However, I implore you to listen to doctors, psychologists, the families of trans Idahoans, and trans Idahoans themselves.

Gender affirming care is beneficial. It has a regret rate so low, it makes hip surgery look like getting a tattoo.

Please vote against HB 668.

Helen Hawley	H 668	W	Self	Lewiston	Against	N	7
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Please vote NO to H668. This bill imposes state control over what, by all standards should be a private matter between a family and their physician. If a person is eligible for Medicare, they should have the same rights as any other Medicare patient to obtain the necessary medical care that they, their family, and physical have determined is best for their health and well-being.

The repressive bills presented in this years' legislature will continue to drive families, businesses, and medical personnel from our state when we most need them. Therefore, I ask you to reconsider and stop trying to erase the existence of those you may be uncomfortable around from those of us who acknowledge the beautiful minds around us, here, in Idaho. Vote NO on H668. Thank you for your time.

Emilie Jackson-Edney	H 668	W	Self	Garden City	Against	N	16
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My name is Emilie Jackson-Edney. I live and own property in Garden City, Idaho, District 16.

I am providing written testimony to express my deep concern and opposition to H 668 No Public Funds For Gender Transition. H 666 seeks to prohibit the use of Medicaid and public funds for gender transition and gender-affirming healthcare. This legislation, if enacted, would not only undermine the principles of inclusivity and equality but also jeopardize the health and well-being of transgender state employees and other individuals across Idaho.

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Enacting H 668 would violate existing District and Appellate Court Orders in legal actions taken against the State of Idaho, Idaho Department of Corrections and their health care insurer for denying transgender healthcare and surgical procedures. Denying transgender healthcare to IDOC transgender inmates under H 668 will surely be challenged in costly legal proceedings, which the state cannot defend.

Medical consensus unequivocally recognizes gender dysphoria as a legitimate medical condition. The denial of gender-affirming healthcare goes against the recommendations of leading medical organizations, including the American Medical Association and the American Psychiatric Association. By restricting access to these medically necessary treatments, we risk perpetuating health disparities and denying transgender individuals the right to comprehensive healthcare.

Numerous studies have demonstrated the mental health benefits of gender-affirming care, showing a significant reduction in the risk of suicide and improved overall well-being. Denying coverage for these essential treatments not only exacerbates mental health issues but also places an undue economic burden on our healthcare system by necessitating costly emergency interventions and mental health treatments.

Furthermore, the proposed legislation may violate the legal and human rights of transgender individuals, infringing upon their right to gender identity and expression. In the spirit of justice and fairness, we must ensure that all members of our community have equal access to the healthcare they need.

I urge this committee to consider the overwhelming evidence supporting the necessity and cost-effectiveness of gender-affirming care. Let us strive for a healthcare system that embraces inclusivity, respects human rights, and promotes the well-being of every individual. I implore you to reject this regressive legislation and stand on the side of justice, equality, and compassion.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Erin Burleson	H 668	W	Self	Boise	Against	N	18
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This bill is hateful, predatory, and discriminatory against our LGBTQ community. It speaks volumes that they are not welcome here in a state that boasts itself as "the free-est" state. The LGBTQ community deserve the same rights and access to healthcare as everybody else.

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Logan Farley	H 668	W	Self	Boise	Against	N	15
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A blanket ban of public funding for gender transition care in the state would cause unnecessary harm to our fellow affected Idahoans. Public funding to treat gender dysphoria has a Return On Investment, allowing affected individuals to get back to day to day life, and continue helping our economy and society at large.

Kathryn Nieri	H 668	W	Self	Boise	Against	N	15
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I am against this bill. As a taxpayer, I find it essential that Idaho support medically necessary, life-saving care for trans and nonbinary people. Gender-affirming care is not experimental and should be accessible to those who need it. We need to protect and take care of fellow Idahoans and that includes trans and nonbinary people.

Karen M. Hansen	H 668	W	Self	Viola	Against	N	6
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Vote against HB~668.

For moderate and low income people denying health insurance coverage for medical care is in effect denying medical care itself. The legislature is not qualified to assess what is and is not necessary treatment nor what is and is not standard, acceptable medical practice. That is for physicians, psychiatrists, patients, and insurance companies to work out.

My main concern is families with pre-teen and teen age children.

Interfering with parents' rights to provide the best care they can for their child using medically accepted treatments is wrong.

This bill lumps all gender dysphoria treatments together and claims they are dangerous and irreversible.

This is also wrong.

Surgery on minors is not accepted medical practice. Puberty suppressing hormone treatments are safe and reversible.

I am tired of seeing gender minorities being singled out due to misunderstandings and culture war dynamics.

I ask the Idaho legislature to please back off.

This broad heavy-handed bill dealing with a delicate complex subject is going to do a lot of harm. This bill is inconsistent with the parents' rights provided for in SB~1329

The only winners here are lawyers working on the lawsuits this bill will generate.

Leave difficult medical care decisions and insurance coverage decisions to the trained professionals and patients who are directly involved.

It bears repeating, denying health insurance coverage for medical care is in effect denying medical care itself.

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Dylan Goldade	H 668	W	Self	Boise	Against	N	16
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I am a registered Republican in d16 and this bill is a huge government overstep into healthcare that is inarguably lifesaving. I implore you to vote no on this bill if you have compassion for the future for youth in Idaho.

Kella Brown	H 668	W	Self	Boise	Against	N	19
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I am strongly opposed to this bill, because it is blatantly discriminatory.

The public should not get to decide what kind of medical care anyone receives, even if they are on Medicaid. That should solely be between a person and their doctors.

I am a taxpayer and I want my money to cover gender affirming care.

If we are going to allow taxpayers to cherry pick, then I do not want my tax dollars to pay for anything other than infrastructure and gender affirming care for Medicaid recipients.

Marilyn Beckett	H 668	W	Self	Moscow	Against	N	6
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The physiological need for medical treatment should not only be accessible to the wealthy.

It is not the job of the legislature to diagnose or prescribe, because they do not have the knowledge to do so. Therefore they should note determine what diagnosis is worthy of funding. Vote NAY.

Julianne Donnelly Tzul	H 668	IP	ACLU of Idaho	Boise	Against	Y	19
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Written testimony emailed to SSA Committee Secretary for inclusion in the Legislative Record. Thank you!

Merrick Collins	H 668	IP	TransHoming Project	Boise	Against	Y	16
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I am Merrick Collins, I'm a voter in district 16, and I am representing the TransHoming Project in opposition to HB 668.

I am here to ask that our legislature listen to doctors - not simply doctors from out of state that don't specialize in trans care, but rather, doctors that do. Doctors and scientists that have studied us and know what sorts of treatments actually help us have a near consensus that allowing transgender people to get hormone replacement therapy and gender-affirming surgeries greatly improves our

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quality of life. For many of us, it is necessary for our comfort and, sadly, our safety in many places.

An article published by Healthline states that gender affirming care lowers rates of binge drinking, drug use, suicide, depression, anxiety, self harm, and other mental health concerns. Cornell cites a Dutch study that shows people who underwent sex reassignment surgery between 7 and 20 years before the study found the subjects had, quote, "an overall positive change in their family and social life. None of them showed any regrets about the [surgery]."

Finally, keeping trans healthcare covered under government programs in Idaho won't reduce care for Idahoans that are not trans. According to Idaho Capital Sun, we had a budget surplus of 99.1 million dollars at the end of the 2023 fiscal year, continuing the trend of Idaho having a budget surplus in at least multiple millions. We have enough to afford care for everyone under Medicaid, and Medicare shouldn't even be a concern because it's funded federally.

In my informed opinion, passing HB 668 into law would do more harm than good to Idahoans, specifically those of us that rely on government programs for trans care. Vote no on HB 668. Thank you.

Jennie Myers	H 668	W	Self	Boise	Against	N	19
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To the Members of the Senate State Affairs Committee,

I am writing to you today not only as a concerned business owner in Idaho but as a deeply troubled citizen, regarding the proposed bill (HB668) that seeks to impose unprecedented restrictions on gender-affirming care in our state. This bill as the most restrictive of its kind in the country, a designation that should give us all pause. I urge you to reconsider and hold the bill concerning the restriction of gender-affirming care in committee.

Denying Medicaid coverage for gender-affirming medical care for transgender Idahoans, both adults and minors, directly undermines the fundamental principles of equality, dignity, and the right to healthcare.

The distinction made in the bill's language, targeting care related to 'Gender Transition' exclusively for transgender and non-binary individuals, while allowing similar treatments for cisgender individuals, is overtly discriminatory.

It is important to highlight that every major medical organization supports gender-affirming care. The past president of the American Academy of Pediatrics, in 2022, stated, "There is strong consensus among the most prominent medical organizations worldwide that evidence-based, gender-affirming care for transgender children and adolescents is medically necessary and appropriate. It can even be lifesaving." This bill, therefore, not only challenges the expert consensus but also risks the lives and wellbeing of vulnerable individuals in

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our community.

I urge you, as members of the Senate State Affairs Committee, to consider the profound implications of this bill. As taxpayers and constituents, we believe in a state that upholds the rights and dignity of all its citizens. Gender-affirming care, which is neither experimental nor optional but medically necessary and potentially lifesaving, should be accessible to those in need. I strongly advocate for the committee to 'Hold the Bill in Committee' during the final public hearing tomorrow morning at 8 a.m. This action would not only represent a commitment to healthcare equity and human rights but also demonstrate a compassionate understanding of the needs of all Idahoans.

Thank you for your time and consideration. I hope you will stand on the right side of history and human dignity by opposing this harmful and discriminatory bill.

Sylvia Swassing	H 668	W	Self	Pocatello	Against	N	29
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Taxpayer money should be utilized in public healthcare, including gender-affirming care, because healthcare is a fundamental human right. Providing access to gender-affirming care, such as hormone therapies and gender confirmation surgeries, not only improves the well-being and quality of life for transgender individuals but also reduces the burden of mental health issues and other health complications associated with untreated gender dysphoria. Additionally, investing in gender-affirming care fosters a more inclusive and equitable society, where everyone can access the healthcare they need to live authentically and thrive. Ultimately, it's about ensuring equal treatment and dignity for all members of society, regardless of gender identity.

Kendra Scheid	H 668	W	Self	Pocatello	Against	N	29
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Supporting the use of public funds for gender-affirming care is not just a matter of providing healthcare; it's about upholding basic human rights and promoting societal well-being. The distress that comes from a conflict between one's gender identity and assigned sex at birth, can lead to significant mental health issues if left untreated. Gender-affirming care, such as hormone therapy and surgeries, has been shown to alleviate gender dysphoria and improve mental well-being. By providing gender-affirming care, we can mitigate the long-term healthcare costs associated with untreated gender dysphoria, such as mental health treatment and medical complications.

Supporting the use of public funds for gender-affirming care is not only a matter of compassion and justice but also makes practical and ethical sense for the well-being of individuals and society as a whole.

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Jennifer Attebery	H 668	W	Self	Pocatello	Against	N	29
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Dear senators,

The bill before your committee would deny life sustaining health care to some of Idaho’s most economically marginalized people. It attempts to do so by singling out these individuals on the basis of sex/gender. In a recent federal court in Florida a nearly identical bill was found unconstitutional. Please, Idahoans, do not continue down this path of senseless discrimination.

Sincerely,
Jennifer Attebery

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As lifelong Idahoans, parents of a transgender son, and taxpayers, we are writing to voice our opposition to HB668.

We support all Idahoans including trans and queer Idahoans in accessing life-saving medical care, including the right to care that improves their mental health and affirms their gender.

Start focusing on legislation that helps all Idahoans not legislation that excludes and minimizes certain groups of Idahoans.

Vote no on this bill.

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I am against this bill. I have had the opportunity to take advantage of Medicaid in my lifetime. I was self-employed at the time when my husband became unemployed and we lost our insurance. As a taxpayer I have paid into the system and I was grateful it was there for my family when we needed it. As a parent it would be devastating to not be able to provide my child with recommended medical care when needed. As a parent you don't know ahead of time your child's journey or future self. I hear people saying they don't want their tax dollars going to GAC. What they don't seem to realize is that this is a slippery slope and someday they may be trying to access care

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that other tax payers don't believe is necessary. Then it will be there life and wellbeing on the line.

This worst part of this bill is that people who are employed by the state with state-provided private insurance will loose access for self, spouse and child. Imagine you are a parent with a stable state job to provide a good life for your family and your child grows up to need access to care that the state disallows. Wouldn't that feel like a betrayal?

Please hold this bill in committee.