

OREGON LEGISLATIVE REPORT - February 2018

Democrat lawmakers proposed legislation usurping parental rights and endangering health and safety of students. Featuring bills submitted in 2018 Short Session, and Regular Sessions of 2015, 2017, 2013.

- ✓ **HJR 203:** Amends Oregon Constitution making Health Care a Fundamental Right, paving the way to control individuals, and their access to healthcare. Government does not 'grant' rights.
- ✓ **HB 2307:** Makes it illegal for parents to seek Conversion Therapy mental health care for their minor child, which may save their life. **Signed into law by Governor Kate Brown**
- ✓ **SB 1540 A:** Changes to the Mandatory Reporting Law by lowering the age of Consent for Sex to 12 years of age. (This language in the bill was taken out and SB 1540 B replaced it. We must be alert to the Democrats bringing this back in 2019 Session)
- ✓ Health Evidence Review Committee, HERC (Governor-appointed, not elected) voted to allow children as young as 15 years of age, access **without parental knowledge or consent** to Transgender Conditioning, including genital mutilation, hormonal therapy and chest binding. **Signed into law by Governor John Kitzhaber**
- ✓ Approved by Oregon lawmakers: School Based Health Clinics (SBHCs) invited on K-12 campuses by School Boards, operate on school property without accountability. Oregon Health Authority (OHA) governs clinics funded with taxpayer dollars. Oregon Revised Statutes allow SBHCs access to minor children **without parental knowledge or consent**. **Signed into law by Governor John Kitzhaber**
- ✓ Only Oregon Certified SBHCs are eligible for funding from the Oregon Health Authority (OHA). If a SBHC is "certified", then specific services or referrals must be included. (See Oregon Health Authority's 2014 School-Based Health Center Standards for Certification, p.14-16).
- ✓ SB491: Exempts School Based Health Centers from civil liability for medical/mental health care provided by clinic. **Signed into law by Governor John Kitzhaber**
- ✓ Students at any age can access reproductive care **without parental knowledge or consent**. (ORS 109.610, 640) Oregon Health Authority's Minor Rights: Access and Consent to Health Care
- ✓ 14 year-old students can receive mental health services which could include counsel related to gender transformation. Minors may seek help from a psychiatrist or psychologist; mental health therapy from a doctor or social worker **without parental knowledge or consent**. (ORS 109.675)
- ✓ 15 year-old students can consent to services such as hospital care, immunizations, medical, dental, optometric and surgical diagnostic care. They can also receive gender transformation treatments (ie: puberty blockers, counseling, drugs, advocacy and sex change surgery) **without parental notification or consent** (ORS 109.640).