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Good afternoon,

My name is Jill Kapper and I'm a lifelong resident of Maryland. I'm opposing this bill because I saw no mention of age requirements and it seems to neglect the importance of informed consent, which can't really take place in this case without a parent or guardian. I would be more supportive of such bills if they were clear when it comes to the intentions and felt the urge to protect the more vulnerable. This bill protects the providers while others are at risk. Patients must have sufficient information and such an understanding before making medical decisions which is why I'm urging you all to oppose HB691. Why bills such as this are even created, without a guardrail protecting those under the age of 18, is honestly confusing to me.

Thank you!