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AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE BILL 283
(First Reading File Bill)

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, in line 8, after “standards;” insert “prohibiting the Program, except under certain circumstances, from providing gender–affirming care to a child under a certain age whose parent objects to the provision of gender–affirming care;”.

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 4, in line 5, strike “**IT**” and substitute “**EXCEPT AS OTHERWISE PROVIDED IN THIS SECTION, IT**”; in line 10, strike “**THE**” and substitute “**EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN PARAGRAPH (2) OF THIS SUBSECTION, THE**”; and after line 11, insert:

“(2) THE PROGRAM MAY NOT PROVIDE GENDER–AFFIRMING CARE TO A CHILD UNDER 18 YEARS OF AGE WHOSE PARENT OBJECTS TO THE PROVISION OF GENDER–AFFIRMING CARE UNLESS:

(I) A HEARING IS CONDUCTED IN ACCORDANCE WITH REGULATIONS ADOPTED BY THE DEPARTMENT;

(II) A GUARDIAN AD–LITEM IS APPOINTED TO ADVOCATE FOR THE CHILD DURING THE HEARING; AND

(III) A FINDING IS MADE THAT PROVIDING GENDER–AFFIRMING CARE WOULD BE IN THE BEST INTERESTS OF THE CHILD.”;

and in lines 12, 15, 22, 25, 28, and 30, strike “(2)”, “(3)”, “(4)”, “(5)”, “(6)”, and “(7)”, respectively, and substitute “(3)”, “(4)”, “(5)”, “(6)”, “(7)”, and “(8)”, respectively.