

Testimony Supporting HB1380

**Health Insurance - Prescriptions for Gender-Affirming Care and Hormone Therapy -
Coverage and Dispensing Requirements**

FAVORABLE

March 11, 2026

Delegate Heather Bagnall, Chair; Delegate Bonnie Cullison, Vice Chair; and esteemed members of the House Health Committee:

I am writing to ask you to vote favorably on House Bill 1380. This bill would require health insurance companies to allow coverage for a larger supply of certain prescription drugs used for gender-affirming care, hormone therapy, or reproductive health, and would increase the amount of drugs that a pharmacist is allowed to dispense for those purposes.

With the widespread attacks occurring nationwide against transgender people, and the anti-trans legislation being introduced that threatens their health and safety, it is not surprising that some transgender people feel the need to stockpile medication essential for their existence. Although HB1380 appears to be a simple bill concerning insurance coverage and pharmacy dispensing rules, it is not an overstatement to say this bill is critical to support the needs of the transgender community—and it comes at a critical time.

As a person with transgender loved ones, who is extremely concerned about where our country is heading with respect to the rights and safety of transgender people, I urge you to support HB1380 to signify your solidarity with this vulnerable community and ensure they get the medication they need.

For these reasons, I request the Committee return a favorable report on HB1380.

Respectfully Submitted,

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