

February 18, 2026

Delegate Heather Bagnall, Chair  
Delegate Bonnie Cullison, Vice Chair  
Members of the Health Committee  
Maryland General Assembly  
Annapolis, Maryland

Re: HB679 Cross-Sex Hormone Therapy for Minors - Unfavorable

Dear Delegate, Bagnall, Delegate Cullison, and Members of the Committee:

I am a long-time Maryland resident currently residing in Montgomery County (District 14) and I am writing to urge you to reject HB679 - Cross-Sex Hormone Therapy for Minors.   

It is well documented that gender affirming care can be medically necessary and is backed by decades of research and supported [by every major medical association](#), together representing over 1.3 million U.S. doctors.

I feel compelled to write to you on this matter not because it directly affects me, but because I care about my community and the rights of children, parents, and medical professions to make health decisions without interference from government.

In short, I care and I vote.   

I want to thank those on the Committee support the rights of individuals and families to make their own medical decisions. For those of you who do know, I ask you, why do you think you know what is best for people you don't know and for whom you have no medical expertise?

I look forward to your vote in opposition to this bill

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, consisting of a stylized first name followed by a long, horizontal flourish.

District 14.