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State Senator Kristina Roegner
Ohio's 27th Senate District

Dear Ms. Roegner,

I thank you for the opportunity to write testimony in strong opposition to HB68, Enact Ohio Saving Adolescents from Experimentation Act. My name is Mary Elizabeth Gamble and I am a resident of Cleveland, OH. I oppose this bill for myriad reasons but first and foremost because it goes against medical consensus on best practice and would be a case of extreme government overreach into the private lives of Ohio citizens. I fear this misleadingly titled bill would directly cause immense harm to underage Ohioans. The requirement of mental health professionals to release sensitive information to the Department of Health is but one step in a slippery slope towards the deterioration of HIPPA regulations and destruction of personal rights to privacy. I also believe that trans minors growing up under these regulations will be more likely to leave Ohio permanently upon becoming adults, impacting our city's declining population and state GDP.

HB68 is dangerous for Ohioans and for the future of Ohio

Sincerely,

Mary Elizabeth Gamble