

Subject:
Opponent Testimony Against Ohio House Bill 68

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Government Oversight Committee
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I am a resident of South Russell, Ohio and I am opposed to HB 68. In a manner similar to the Ohio House and Senate efforts to limit abortion, OH legislators are meddling in matters that should be between individuals (in this case, minors and their parents) and their medical and mental health providers. Politicians need to stop making laws that say they support children when they do not. If you listen to trans youth and their parents you will hear that they want support, understanding and acceptance.

Who are OH legislators to say that they know what is best for transgender youth and their families?

Listen to physicians, particularly, pediatricians. Listen to mental health professionals. Listen to the transgender families you are representing.

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