

Dear Honorable Members of the North Dakota senate,

My name is Lilly Funk, and I live in Minot, North Dakota. I am a federal employee at Head Start (as an assistant teacher). The purpose of this written testimony is to persuade members of the North Dakota senate to support HB 1254.

I am in support of this bill because it protects children from the devastating effects of gender-related medical intervention. It is imperative that this bill be passed due to the fact that there are a plethora of negative effects of this type of medical intervention including an increased risk for diabetes and heart disease in adulthood, infertility, the inability to feel sexual pleasure in adulthood, the inability to breastfeed (if the person is still able to bear children that is), the unknown risks of unnaturally prematurely ending puberty, a higher risk for cancer, blood clots, strokes, liver damage, and many more negative impacts (still being uncovered).

Thank you for considering making the moral decision and passing HB 1254.

Lilly Funk