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Amendment (with title amendment)

Remove everything after the enacting clause and insert: Section 1. Section 61.5175, Florida Statutes, is created to read:

interventions.—Notwithstanding any other provision of this part, a court of this state has jurisdiction to enter, modify, or stay a child custody determination relating to a child who is present in this state to the extent necessary to protect the child from being subjected to gender clinical interventions, as defined in s. 456.52(1), in another state.

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Section 2. Section 381.991, Florida Statutes, is created to read:

381.991 Public expenditures for gender clinical interventions; prohibition.—A state agency, political subdivision, public postsecondary institution as defined in 1000.04, or person providing services to or on behalf of any such agency, subdivision, or institution by contract or other agreement or relationship, may not expend funds to provide or reimburse for gender clinical interventions as defined in s. 456.52(1).

Section 3. Paragraph (f) of subsection (1) of section 382.016, Florida Statutes, is created to read:

382.016 Amendment of records.—The department, upon receipt of the fee prescribed in s. 382.0255; documentary evidence, as specified by rule, of any misstatement, error, or omission occurring in any birth, death, or fetal death record; and an affidavit setting forth the changes to be made, shall amend or replace the original certificate as necessary.

- (1) CERTIFICATE OF LIVE BIRTH AMENDMENT.-
- (f) The sex recorded on a birth certificate must be the person's biological sex at birth and may only be changed in the case of a scrivener's error. Upon request, the department may change the sex on a birth certificate of person born with external biological sex characteristics that were unresolvably ambiguous at the time of birth.

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41	Section 4. Section 456.52, Florida Statutes, is created to
42	read:
43	456.52 Prohibition on gender clinical interventions for
44	minors; physician requirements.—
45	(1) For the purposes of this section, "gender clinical
46	interventions" means procedures or therapies that alter internal
47	or external physical traits.
48	(a) The term includes, but is not limited to:
49	1. Sex reassignment surgeries or any other surgical
50	procedures that alter primary or secondary sexual
51	characteristics.
52	2. Puberty blocking, hormone, and hormone antagonistic
53	therapies.
54	(b) The term does not include:
55	1. Treatment provided by a physician who, in his or her
56	good faith clinical judgment, performs procedures upon, or
57	provides therapies to, a minor born with a medically verifiable
58	genetic disorder of sexual development, including the following:
59	a. External biological sex characteristics that are
60	unresolvably ambiguous.
61	b. A disorder of sexual development, in which the
62	physician has determined through genetic or biochemical testing

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for a male or female.

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that the minor does not have normal sex chromosome structure,

sex steroid hormone production, or sex steroid hormone action

- 2. Treatment of any infection, injury, disease, or disorder caused or exacerbated by the performance of gender clinical interventions regardless of whether such interventions were performed in accordance with state or federal law.
- (2) (a) Gender clinical interventions may only be provided by a physician licensed under chapter 458 or chapter 459 or a physician practicing medicine or osteopathic medicine in the employment of the Federal Government.
- (b) A physician may not provide gender clinical interventions to a minor except, that a minor who was prescribed gender clinical interventions described in (1)(a)2. on or before January 1, 2023, and continuously received such therapies through July 1, 2023, may continue to receive such therapies through December 31, 2023, solely for the purpose of gradual discontinuation of such therapies.
- (3) Notwithstanding ss. 458.320(5) and 459.0085(5), a physician who provides gender clinical interventions for adults must obtain and maintain professional liability coverage in the amounts established in ss. 458.320(2)(b) and 459.0085(2)(b), as applicable.
- (4) (a) A physician must, while physically present in the same room as the patient, obtain informed written consent from the patient each time the physician provides gender clinical interventions for an adult. The physician must sign the consent and maintain the consent in the medical record. The patient must

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- 1. The long-term and short-term effects of gender clinical interventions.
- 2. The impact of gender clinical interventions on physical and mental health.
- (b) The Board of Medicine and the Board of Osteopathic Medicine, as applicable, shall adopt emergency rules to implement this section.
- (c) Any emergency rules adopted under this section are exempt from s. 120.54(4)(c) and shall remain in effect until replaced by rules adopted under the nonemergency rulemaking procedures of the Administrative Procedure Act.
- (5) Nothing in this section shall require any person to participate in a gender clinical intervention nor shall any person be liable for such refusal. No person who is a member of, or associated with, the staff of a hospital, nor any employee of a hospital or physician in which or by whom the gender clinical intervention has been authorized or performed, who shall state an objection to such procedure on moral or religious grounds shall be required to participate in the procedure which will

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- (6) An action for recovery of damages based on death or personal injury in which it is alleged that such death or injury resulted from the negligence of a physician related to gender clinical interventions is not a claim for medical malpractice and chapter 766 does not apply. Notwithstanding s. 95.11, any such action must be commenced within 30 years after the incident giving rise to the action.
- (7) A board, or the department if there is no board, must revoke the license of a health care practitioner if the board, or the department if there is no board, determines that the health care practitioner violated this section.
- (8) A health care practitioner who willfully or actively participates in a violation of (2)(b) commits a felony of the third degree, punishable as provided in s. 775.082, s. 775.083, or s. 775.084.

Section 5. Present paragraphs (c) through (gg) of subsection (5) of section 456.074, Florida Statutes, are redesignated as paragraphs (d) through (hh), respectively, and a new paragraph (c) is added to that subsection, to read:

456.074 Certain health care practitioners; immediate suspension of license.—

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141	(5) The department shall issue an emergency order
142	suspending the license of any health care practitioner who is
143	arrested for committing or attempting, soliciting, or conspiring
144	to commit any act that would constitute a violation of any of
145	the following criminal offenses in this state or similar
146	offenses in another jurisdiction:
147	(c) Section 456.52 (8)(a), relating to providing gender
148	clinical interventions to a minor.
149	Section 6. Section 627.6410, Florida Statutes, is created
150	to read:
151	627.6411 Coverage of certain treatment.—A health insurance
152	policy may not provide coverage for gender clinical
153	interventions as defined in s. 456.52(1).
154	Section 7. Subsection (48) is added to section 641.31,
155	Florida Statutes, to read:
156	641.31 Health maintenance contracts.—
157	(48) A health maintenance contract may not include
158	coverage for gender clinical interventions as defined in s.
159	<u>456.52(1).</u>
160	Section 8. Section 766.318, Florida Statutes, is created
161	to read:
162	766.318 Gender clinical interventions; liability.—
163	(1) A physician who provides gender clinical
164	interventions, as defined in s. 456.52, to an individual is
165	liable to the individual for any physical, psychological,

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166	emotional, or physiological injury resulting from the gender
167	clinical intervention.
168	(2) An individual who receives a gender clinical
169	intervention from a physician may bring a civil action against
170	such practitioner in a court of competent jurisdiction for:
171	(a) Declaratory or injunctive relief.
172	(b) Economic damages.
173	(c) Noneconomic damages.
174	(d) Punitive damages.
175	(e) Attorney fees and costs.
176	(3) In an action brought under this section, the
177	limitations on punitive damages in s. 768.73, or any other
178	provision of law that seeks to limit punitive damages, do not
179	apply.
180	(4) The estate of an individual who received a gender
181	clinical intervention from a physician, including a legal
182	guardian on behalf of such individual, when the death of that
183	individual was caused by such gender clinical intervention may
184	bring a civil action against such practitioner in a court of
185	competent jurisdiction for:
186	(a) All remedies available under subsection (2).
187	(b) All remedies available under s. 766.102.
188	(c) Treble damages.

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- (6) An action brought under subsection (4) must be commenced within 5 years after the date of the individual's death or the discovery of the individual's death, whichever is later.
 - Section 9. This act shall take effect July 1, 2023.

TITLE AMENDMENT

Remove everything before the enacting clause and insert:
An act relating to gender clinical interventions; creating s.
61.5175, F.S.; granting courts of this state jurisdiction to
enter, modify, or stay a child custody determination relating to
a child present in this state to the extent necessary to protect
the child from being subjected to gender clinical interventions
in another state creating s. 381.991, F.S.; prohibiting certain
persons and entities from expending funds for reimbursement for
specified clinical interventions; amending s. 382.016, F.S.;
prohibiting a person's biological sex from being changed on a
birth certificate; providing exceptions; creating s. 456.52,
F.S.; providing a definition for the term "gender clinical
interventions"; prohibiting gender clinical interventions for
minors; providing exceptions; authorizing certain persons to

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refuse to participate in gender clinical interventions; providing liability and penalties; requiring the Board of Medicine and the Board of Osteopathic Medicine to adopt certain emergency rules; requiring the department to immediately suspend the license of a health care practitioner who is arrested for committing or attempting, soliciting, or conspiring to commit specified violations related to gender clinical interventions; amending ss. 458.328 and 459.0138, F.S.; requiring registered physicians' offices to provide a signed attestation of specified information to the department by a specified date; beginning on a specified date, requiring physicians' offices seeking such registration to provide the signed attestation as a condition of registration; providing grounds for disciplinary action; creating s. 647.6411, F.S.; prohibiting a health insurance policy from providing coverage for gender clinical interventions; amending s. 641.31, F.S.; prohibiting a health maintenance contract from including coverage for gender clinical interventions; creating s. 766.318, F.S.; creating a cause of action for injuries and wrongful death caused by gender clinical interventions; providing damages; providing a statute of limitations; authorizing an award of attorney fees and costs; providing an effective date.

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