



SB 2215 - HB 2576

June 4, 2020

SUMMARY OF ORIGINAL BILL: Prohibits the provision of sexual identity change therapy to prepubescent minors. Prohibits the provision of sexual identity change therapy to minors who have entered puberty unless a parent or guardian has written recommendations for the therapy from at least three physicians. Punishes violations as child abuse and designates violations by healthcare professionals as professional misconduct.

FISCAL IMPACT OF ORIGINAL BILL:

Increase State Expenditures – \$3,700 Incarceration*

SUMMARY OF AMENDMENT (017769): Deletes and replaces all language after the enacting clause such that the only substantive changes are to: (1) specify that a healthcare professional who violates this prohibition is subject to a civil action in tort up to 7 years after the minor turns 21; (2) outline exceptions to the prohibition; (3) specify that a violation of the prohibition is punishable as Class A misdemeanor offense regardless of the minor's age; and (4) change the effective date from July 1, 2020 to October 1, 2020.

FISCAL IMPACT OF BILL WITH PROPOSED AMENDMENT:

NOT SIGNIFICANT

Assumptions for the bill as amended:

- Based on information provided by the Department of Health (DOH), any impact to DOH is estimated to be not significant.
- Any cost to local jail systems resulting from possible convictions under this legislation is estimated to be not significant.
- There will not be a sufficient change in the number of misdemeanor prosecutions for the state or local government to experience any significant change in revenue or expenditures.
- Any increase in court cases will not be significant and can be accommodated utilizing existing resources within the court system.

CERTIFICATION:

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

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Krista Lee Carsner, Executive Director

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