

# HB 127: What You Need To Know

## HB 127 will prohibit transgender children from accessing medical care.

This legislation would prohibit evidence-based, medical best practices for transgender youth that have been well-established and affirmed by every major medical and mental health organization, including the American Academy of Pediatrics, the American Medical Association, the Endocrine Society, the American Psychiatric Association, and the American Academy of Child and Adolescent Psychiatry.



### We stand with science and evidence based healthcare.

The medical standards of care require rigorous screening before a child is diagnosed with or treated for gender dysphoria. Medical interventions for minors diagnosed with gender dysphoria are evidence-based, limited, and carefully monitored. They typically involve puberty blockers and, for some older teens, hormone therapy.



### HB 127 will have an adverse impact on the mental health of transgender youth.

Rigorous longitudinal studies show that these treatments are extremely protective of a child's mental & physical health. In contrast, children with gender dysphoria who are denied appropriate care experience serious harms that have a lasting negative impact on their long term health & well being.

Transgender children, like any children, have the best chance to thrive when they are supported and can get the health care they need. This bill would take that away from transgender youth in Utah.



#### HB 127 is about politics, not medicine nor science.

The medical authorities all agree that some teenagers are transgender, and that they sometimes need medical care to survive and thrive during this time of life. The so-called "Alliance Defending Freedom" have introduced these bills in multiple states over the past several years triggering multiple lawsuits. The ADF and the Utah Eagle Forum have been attacking the LGBTQ community for decades. This is their latest effort to generate moral panic and marginalize our community.



#### HB 127 is unconstitutional.

This bill will trigger a lawsuit, because discrimination against transgender people is unconstitutional. This bill says that transgender minors cannot have the same medicines and procedures as other teenagers. That is discrimination, plain and simple.

# **ASK YOUR REPRESENTATIVE TO VOTE NO ON HB 127**