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To amend chapter 55 of title 18, United States Code, to establish a criminal offense for the transportation of a minor for a gender transition procedure.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. CRENSHAW (for himself, Mr. CRANE, Mr. FRY, and Mrs. LUNA) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary, and in addition to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned

A BILL

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1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Stop Gender Traf-
5 ficking of Minors Act”.

6 **SEC. 2. FINDINGS.**

7 Congress finds the following:

1 (1) A growing body of international medical
 2 guidance has advised against the routine use of pu-
 3 berty blockers, hormone therapy, and gender altering
 4 surgeries for minors, absent long-term evidence of
 5 benefit and safety. The rise in detransition and re-
 6 gret among young adults who underwent such proce-
 7 dures as minors further underscores the need for ro-
 8 bust Federal safeguards.

9 (2) The Federal Government has a compelling
 10 interest in protecting minors from experimental and
 11 irreversible medical procedures that may result in
 12 long-term harm, including sterilization, loss of sexual
 13 function, and psychological distress.

14 (3) The transportation of minors across state
 15 lines to receive such procedures constitutes inter-
 16 state activity subject to Federal regulation under the
 17 Commerce Clause of the United States Constitution.

18 **SEC. 3. TRANSPORTATION OF A MINOR FOR GENDER A**
 19 **TRANSITION PROCEDURE.**

20 (a) OFFENSE.—Chapter 55 of title 18, United States
 21 Code, is amended by adding at the end the following:

22 **“§ 1205 Transportation of a minor for a gender tran-**
 23 **sition procedure**

24 “(a) OFFENSE.—Whoever knowingly transports in
 25 interstate or foreign commerce, or the offender travels in

1 interstate or foreign commerce or uses the mail or any
2 means, facility, or instrumentality of interstate or foreign
3 commerce in committing or in furtherance of the commis-
4 sion of the offense, a minor to facilitate the minor in ob-
5 taining a gender transition procedure shall be fined under
6 this title or imprisoned not more than ten years, or both.

7 “(b) CIVIL ACTION.—A minor or a parent or legal
8 guardian of a minor who has been transported in violation
9 of subsection (a) may bring a civil action in an appropriate
10 district court for injunctive relief, compensatory and puni-
11 tive damages, and attorneys’ fees.

12 “(c) GENDER TRANSITION PROCEDURE DEFINED.—
13 In this section, the term ‘gender transition procedure’ in-
14 cludes any medical or surgical intervention intended to
15 alter the minor’s sex characteristics in a manner incon-
16 sistent with the minor’s biological sex, including:

17 “(1) Administration of puberty-blocking medi-
18 cations, including transportation relating to an ap-
19 pointment to obtain such medication or obtaining
20 such medication.

21 “(2) Administration of cross-sex hormones.

22 “(3) A surgical intervention, including a mas-
23 tectomy, phalloplasty, vaginoplasty, or other proce-
24 dure intended to change primary or secondary sex
25 characteristics.”.

1 (b) FEDERAL FUNDING PROHIBITION.—No Federal
2 funds may be awarded to a State, unit of local govern-
3 ment, or other governmental entity that:

4 (1) Enacts, implements, or maintains a policy
5 that permits or encourages a minor to undergo a
6 gender transition procedure by being transported
7 across State lines.

8 (2) Declares itself a sanctuary jurisdiction for
9 a gender transition procedure.

10 (3) Does not cooperate with a Federal inves-
11 tigation of a violation of section 1205 of title 18,
12 United States Code.

13 (4) Fails to cooperate with Federal investiga-
14 tions or enforcement actions related to this Act.

15 (c) GENDER TRANSITION PROCEDURE DEFINED.—
16 In this section, the term “gender transition procedure”
17 shall have the meaning given such term in section 1205
18 of title 18, United States Code.

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