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HOUSE BILL No. 2071

By Committee on Health and Human Services

Requested by Representative Bryce

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AN ACT concerning children and minors; relating to healthcare of minors; enacting the help not harm act; prohibiting healthcare providers from treating a child whose gender identity is inconsistent with the child's sex; authorizing a civil cause of action against healthcare providers for providing such treatments; restricting use of state funds to promote gender transitioning; prohibiting professional liability insurance from covering damages for healthcare providers that provide gender transition treatment to children; requiring professional discipline against a healthcare provider who performs such treatments; adding violation of the act to the definition of unprofessional conduct for physicians; amending K.S.A. 65-2837 and repealing the existing section.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Kansas:

New Section 1. (a) The provisions of sections 1 through 6, and amendments thereto, shall be known and may be cited as the help not harm act.

(b) As used in this act:

- (1) "Child" means an individual less than 18 years of age.
- (2) "Female" means an individual who is a member of the female sex.
- (3) "Gender" means the psychological, behavioral, social and cultural aspects of being male or female.
- (4) "Gender dysphoria" is the diagnosis of gender dysphoria in the fifth edition of the diagnostic and statistical manual of mental disorders.
- (5) "Healthcare provider" means an individual who is licensed, certified or otherwise authorized by the laws of this state to administer healthcare services in the ordinary course of the practice of such individual's profession.
 - (6) "Male" means an individual who is a member of the male sex.
- (7) "Perceived sex" is an individual's internal sense of such individual's sex.
- (8) "Perceived gender" is an individual's internal sense of such individual's gender.
- (9) "Sex" means the biological indication of male and female in the context of reproductive potential or capacity, including sex chromosomes,

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