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To: Health, Communities, Disability Services and Domestic and Family Violence Prevention Committee

Subject: Please stop this dangerous Bill

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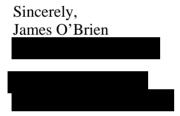
Dear QLD Health Committee,

Imagine you were a doctor and a teenage female patient told you she was feeling confused about her gender. Any reasonable doctor would adopt a 'wait and see' approach and see if this was a passing phase.

However, the Queensland Government's so-called 'gay conversion therapy ban', would make this 'wait and see' approach illegal.

Instead, it would force medical professionals to affirm the girls' belief she is a boy. And it would put that vulnerable girl on a pathway towards permanent and irreversible surgery that would likely leave her infertile and unable to breastfeed.

I am asking you to reject this new law for the sake of our children.



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