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Sent: Tuesday, 24 January 2023 10:18 PM **To:** Legal Affairs and Safety Committee

Subject: Self ID

I've watched the submissions and I support Active Watchful Waiting. Transgender ideology has caused enormous harm to our child and our family. Advocates of self ID encouraged our autistic son to change sex. They told him he didn't fit in and had few friends because he was the wrong sex. They also teach young men in Australia that they should be embarrassed to be white. They told us he would commit suicide if we didn't agree to hormones and surgeries. They told our son to break contact with us if we showed any hesitation. This is an evil ideology and is quickly becoming a medical catastrophe. Countries around the world are sounding alarm bells and yet Australia as usual is 5 years behind these countries and plowing on.

Our son took hormones and is now depressed and regretful with irreversible bodily changes and long term side effects. Our experience is that young people are experimenting as adolescents do and realise their mistake as they mature.