

1 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

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3 SENATE BILL 252

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6 AS INTRODUCED

7 An Act relating to health care; prohibiting certain
8 medical treatment for minors; providing penalty;
9 defining term; providing for codification; and
10 providing an effective date.

11 BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA:

12 SECTION 1. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified
13 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 2607 of Title 63, unless there
14 is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

15 A. A person under the age of eighteen (18) years is prohibited
16 from undergoing gender reassignment medical treatment in this state.

17 B. A health care professional who intentionally performs gender
18 reassignment medical treatment on a person who is under the age of
19 eighteen (18) years is subject to professional discipline by the
20 State Board of Medical Licensure and Supervision, the State Board of
21 Osteopathic Examiners, or the applicable health care professional
22 licensing board, up to and including suspension or revocation of any
23 license or certification required to practice.

1 C. "Gender reassignment medical treatment" means any health
2 care to facilitate the transitioning of a patient's assigned gender
3 identity on the patient's birth certificate, to the gender identity
4 experienced and defined by the patient. The term shall include, but
5 not be limited to:

6 1. Interventions to suppress the development of endogenous
7 secondary sex characteristics;

8 2. Interventions to align the patient's appearance or physical
9 body with the patient's gender identity; and

10 3. Interventions to alleviate symptoms of clinically
11 significant distress resulting from gender dysphoria, as defined in
12 the Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of Mental Disorders, 5th
13 Edition. The term does not include behavioral health care services,
14 such as mental health counseling or medications to treat depression,
15 anxiety, or similar disorders, provided the medication does not have
16 long-term altering effects on the gender of a minor.

17 SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 2023.

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