

HR 8731

Protect Children's Innocence Act

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Party: Republican • **State:** GA • **Chamber:** House

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Rep. Cawthorn, Madison [R-NC-11]	R · NC		Sep 2, 2022
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Rep. Steube, W. Gregory [R-FL-17]	R · FL		Sep 6, 2022
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Rep. Moore, Barry [R-AL-2]	R · AL		Sep 14, 2022
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Rep. Harris, Andy [R-MD-1]	R · MD		Sep 20, 2022
Rep. Timmons, William R. IV [R-SC-4]	R · SC		Sep 20, 2022
Rep. Williams, Roger [R-TX-25]	R · TX		Sep 20, 2022

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Rep. Carl, Jerry L. [R-AL-1]	R · AL		Sep 21, 2022
Rep. Allen, Rick W. [R-GA-12]	R · GA		Sep 28, 2022
Rep. Johnson, Mike [R-LA-4]	R · LA		Sep 28, 2022
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Rep. Cline, Ben [R-VA-6]	R · VA		Oct 18, 2022
Rep. Cloud, Michael [R-TX-27]	R · TX		Oct 18, 2022
Rep. Hice, Jody B. [R-GA-10]	R · GA		Oct 18, 2022

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Education and Workforce Committee	House	Referred To	Aug 19, 2022
Energy and Commerce Committee	House	Referred To	Aug 19, 2022
Judiciary Committee	House	Referred to	Nov 1, 2022
Judiciary Committee	House	Referred to	Nov 1, 2022
Ways and Means Committee	House	Referred To	Aug 19, 2022

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Health

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
117 HR 1927	Related bill	May 18, 2021: Referred to the Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism, and Homeland Security.
117 S 777	Related bill	Mar 16, 2021: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance.

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This bill places restrictions on the provision of gender affirming care. Gender affirming care includes performing surgery, administering medication, or performing other procedures for the purpose of changing the body of an individual to correspond to a sex that differs from the individual's biological sex.

Specifically, the bill makes it a felony to perform any gender affirming care on a minor and it permits a minor on whom such care is performed to bring a civil action against each individual who provided the care.

Additionally, the bill prohibits the use of federal funds for gender affirming care or for health insurance that covers such care. Such care may not be provided in a federal health care facility or by a federal employee. The bill also prohibits qualified health plans from including coverage for gender affirming care. Further, plans that include coverage for such care are not eligible for federal subsidies.

Finally, the bill prohibits institutions of higher education from offering instruction in gender affirming care. It also makes any non-U.S. national (*alien* under federal law) who performs gender affirming care on a minor deportable and inadmissible to the United States.

The restrictions under this bill do not apply to the provision of care under certain circumstances such as when an individual does not have normal sex chromosome structure, sex steroid hormone production, or sex steroid hormone action.

Actions Timeline

- **Nov 1, 2022:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism, and Homeland Security.
- **Nov 1, 2022:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Immigration and Citizenship.
- **Aug 19, 2022:** Introduced in House
- **Aug 19, 2022:** Referred to the Committee on the Judiciary, and in addition to the Committees on Ways and Means, Energy and Commerce, and Education and Labor, 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.