THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL

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INTRODUCED BY TOPPER, BAKER, BARRAR, BERNSTINE, CUTLER, GROVE, JOZWIAK, KAUFFMAN, KEEFER, McGINNIS, MILLARD, TALLMAN, WARD AND COX, NOVEMBER 20, 2017

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON HEALTH, NOVEMBER 20, 2017

AN ACT

- 1 Prohibiting certain benefit packages for children's health care 2 and medical assistance to include gender or sex reassignment
- surgery or gender or sex transition services.
- 4 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
- 5 hereby enacts as follows:
- 6 Section 1. Short title.
- 7 This act shall be known and may be cited as the Taxpayer-
- 8 Funded Gender or Sex Reassignment Services Act.
- 9 Section 2. Restriction on use of children's health care benefit
- 10 package.
- 11 The benefit package for eligible children provided under
- 12 section 2302-A of the act of May 17, 1921 (P.L.682, No.284),
- 13 known as The Insurance Company Law of 1921, may not include
- 14 reimbursement for gender or sex reassignment surgery or gender
- 15 or sex transition services, including, but not limited to,
- 16 physician's services, inpatient and outpatient hospital
- 17 services, prescribed drugs or counseling services related to
- 18 such surgery or services.

- 1 Section 3. Restriction on use of medical assistance benefit
- 2 package.
- 3 A benefit package for medical assistance provided under
- 4 Subarticle (f) of Article IV of the act of June 13, 1967
- 5 (P.L.31, No. 21), known as the Human Services Code, may not
- 6 include reimbursement for gender or sex reassignment surgery or
- 7 gender or sex transition services, including, but not limited
- 8 to, physician's services, inpatient and outpatient hospital
- 9 services, prescribed drugs or counseling services related to
- 10 such surgery or services.
- 11 Section 4. Waivers from Federal Government.
- 12 The Department of Human Services shall request any waivers
- 13 necessary from the Federal Government which may be necessary to
- 14 implement the provisions of this act in a manner which does not
- 15 result in the loss of Federal funds allocated to the
- 16 Commonwealth.
- 17 Section 5. Effective date.
- 18 This act shall take effect in 60 days.