

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE RESOLUTION

No. 801 Session of
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INTRODUCED BY SCHEMEL, MARCH 10, 2020

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON HEALTH, MARCH 10, 2020

A RESOLUTION

1 Encouraging members of the General Assembly to convene public
2 hearings to receive testimony from medical professionals
3 regarding the appropriate standards of care for children with
4 gender dysphoria.

5 WHEREAS, In 2017, the General Assembly passed House Bill No.
6 1388, Printer's No. 1749, which reauthorized the Children's
7 Health Insurance Program (CHIP) under section 2309-A of the
8 Insurance Company Law of 1921; and

9 WHEREAS, As part of the discussion regarding the
10 reauthorization of CHIP, an amendment was proposed to House Bill
11 No. 1388, Printer's No. 1749, to limit the use of State tax
12 dollars to provide care under CHIP for gender transition
13 services for children with gender dysphoria; and

14 WHEREAS, In 2017, separate legislation was also proposed to
15 specifically address the issue of providing care under CHIP for
16 gender transition services for children with gender dysphoria;
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18 WHEREAS, While considering the issue, members of the General
19 Assembly deliberated about the appropriate standards of care for

1 children with gender dysphoria, including the proper terminology
2 to use when referring to children with gender dysphoria; and

3 WHEREAS, Members of the General Assembly have not received
4 testimony from medical professionals regarding the appropriate
5 standards of care for children with gender dysphoria; and

6 WHEREAS, Members of the General Assembly would acquire a
7 better understanding of the appropriate standards of care for
8 children with gender dysphoria by receiving testimony from
9 medical professionals who specialize in child health care;
10 therefore be it

11 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives encourage members
12 of the General Assembly to convene public hearings to receive
13 testimony from medical professionals regarding the appropriate
14 standards of care for children with gender dysphoria.