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Synopsis of Senate Committee Amendments

(This synopsis does not address amendments that may have been adopted on the Senate Floor.)

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Permits a physician to continue to prescribe a cross-sex hormone or puberty-blocking drug to a minor after the bill's effective date under specified circumstances.

Requires a mental health professional, before diagnosing or treating a minor's gender-related condition, to obtain the consent of at least one parent or legal custodian, or the minor's guardian (instead of each residential parent and legal custodian or guardian).

Removes the definition of "gender" from the bill.

Removes the reference in the legislative findings to American Psychiatric Association data regarding the percentage of the American population that experiences distress at identifying with their biological sex.

Removes a section delaying the bill's provisions for six months.

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