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Wisconsin Legislative LGBTQ+ Caucus Condemns Latest Attack on LGBTQ+ Youth

MADISON – Today, legislative Republicans introduced a bill that would prevent youth in Wisconsin from receiving gender-affirming care. Senator Duey Stroebel, Representative Scott Allen, and Assembly Speaker Robin Vos have proposed LRB-0191, a bill that would prohibit a wide range of gender-affirming care for youth, including puberty blockers and hormones, and would punish physicians for providing medically necessary care to their patients.

Members of the Wisconsin Legislative LGBTQ+ Caucus released the following statement:

“Once again, Republicans are interfering with private medical decisions that belong in the hands of patients and their doctors - not politicians. Gender-affirming care reduces gender dysphoria and helps people live healthy and authentic lives.

“Every major medical organization – including the American Medical Association, the American Academy of Pediatrics, the American Academy of Child and Adolescent Psychiatry, and the American Psychological Association – attests that gender-affirming care is safe, medically necessary, and saves lives.

“This latest bill demonstrates abject cruelty from Republicans in the Wisconsin Legislature. A 2022 national survey by the Trevor Project found that 86% of transgender and nonbinary youth reported negative impacts to their mental health from anti-trans bills.

“We remain committed to protecting our LGBTQ+ youth in Wisconsin, and will continue to be a voice for the LGBTQ+ community throughout our state. We will continue to fight to ensure that this bill – and any future legislation that harms LGBTQ+ Wisconsinites – will never become law in Wisconsin.”

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