

## 75<sup>th</sup> STUDENT SENATE Senate Resolution

Resolution #: 28

**Primary Sponsor:** Kariher

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Whereas: This body values the dignity of all persons, and

**Whereas:** Florida House Bill 1421 states that public postsecondary institutions may not provide funding or reimbursement for gender affirming care, and

**Whereas:** Florida House Bill 1421 prohibits anyone in the State of Florida from changing their sex assigned at birth, and

**Whereas:** Florida House Bill 1421 prohibits health insurance policies from providing coverage for gender affirming care, and

**Whereas:** Florida House Bill 1421 prohibits health maintenance contracts from providing coverage for gender affirming care, and

**Whereas:** The public state universities are leading the nation in gender affirming care and provide an affordable way for patients to access physicians specialized in transgender primary care, hormone therapy, hair removal, mental health services, OBGYN services, surgical care, urology, and voice therapy, and

**Whereas:** According the American Medical Society, youth who receive gender affirming care had a 60% lower odds of moderate or severe depression and 73% lower odds of suicidality, and

**Whereas:** The American Medical Society states that interfering in the medical care of transgender youth would be detrimental to their health, and these measures insert the government into clinical decision-making and force physicians to disregard clinical guidelines, therefore

Be it resolved by the Seventy-fifth Student Senate at Florida State University that: The passage of Florida House Bill 1421, or any bill that aims at limiting or banning gender affirming care is antithetical to the values of our institution and is condemned in the strongest possible terms, and

**Be it further resolved that:** The 75th Student Senate amends the Legislative Agenda by strongly opposing House Bill 1421, and

## Be it lastly resolved that a copy of this resolution be sent to:

- Dr. Amy Hecht, Vice President of Student Affairs
- Dr. Brandon Bowden, Associate Vice President of Student Affairs
- Dr. Amy Magnuson, Florida State University Health and Wellness Director
- Dr. Christopher DeLisle, Florida State University Health and Wellness Medical Director Nimna Gabadage, Student Body President

Kenley Adams, Student Body Vice President
Ash Soto, Director of Pride Student Union
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Grace Wilson Fennema, Advisor of Pride Student Union
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Omer Turkomer, Acting Director of Office of Governmental Affairs

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Student Senate President

Senate Vote: 30-2-2 PASSED: March 29<sup>th</sup>, 2023