## **Texas Legislative Update Summary of 88th Session**

The bill to ban surgical and drug induced gender transitioning, gender reassignment, gender dysphoria treatments/procedures on children under 18, has been scheduled for a hearing this Thursday, March 16, 2023, at 9:30 a.m. in the Senate Chamber inside the Capitol.

\*See important information below for parking, time of check-in, and if you should choose to testify.

We thank God for our legislators who are on the frontlines willing to fight for and protect our children, but they need our help. Please read the <u>Senate Bill (SB) 14</u> by Senator Donna Campbell.

Additionally, please read the <u>short analysis for (SB) 14</u> which is very insightful about the disturbing number of gender clinics across our nation, with many here in Texas.

Your Southern Baptists of Texas Convention passed resolutions regarding the undeniable truth and facts concerning gender identity at the 2014, 2017, and 2022 annual meetings:

\*2022 Resolution 4 On Biblical Gender & Sexuality

\*2017 Resolution 2 On Gender Identity

\*2014 Resolution 4 On Gender Identity

The request is that you would show up to sign in your support for this bill and share a brief testimony with the State Affairs Committee on this issue and why Texas must ban these dangerous practices. Please remember to be respectful, stay focused on the points of the bill, and thank the legislators for bringing this bill forward.

If you cannot make it to the Capitol in Austin, please pray and ask others to pray with you that this passes the Senate and then in the House.

You can contact your State Senator and State Representative, the Speaker of the House, Governor, and Lt. Governor's office to say that Texas pass (SB) 14 in the legislative session.

You can locate your senator and representative emails and phone numbers at (capitol.texas.gov/home.)

Speaker Dade Phelan – 512-463-1000 <u>dade.phelan@house.texas.gov</u>

Governor Greg Abbott – 512-463-2000 (texas.gov/contact)

Lt. Governor Dan Patrick – 512-463-0001 (Itgov.texas.gov)

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Please remember to be respectful in your request and to encourage them to pass (SB) 14.

Thank you for speaking out to protect our families and children from the destruction of gender reassignment treatments and procedures.

- Find directions for the Capitol Parking Garage at <a href="texas.gov/plan/parking/parking.html">texas.gov/plan/parking/parking.html</a>
- Once inside the Capitol take the elevators to the second floor and walk to the east wing where you will see the Senate Chambers and a place to sign in by 9:00 a.m.
- Testimony is limited to 2 minutes, but sometimes they will ask you questions which allows for more time.
- Please text Cindy, our Public Policy Advisor, at 512-300-5322 if you need any help writing a testimony, or signing in.