SHB 2451 - H AMD 704
By Representative Shea

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1   On page 1, beginning on line 8, after "eighteen." strike all
2 material through "eighteen." on line 15 and insert "Licensed health
3 care providers may discuss sexual orientation change efforts with
4 patients under the age of eighteen, provided that such discussions do
5 not constitute the performance of sexual orientation change efforts."
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7   On page 1, beginning on line 18, after "minors" strike all
8 material through "youth," on page 2, line 1
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10   On page 2, line 2, after "efforts" insert ", while maintaining a
11 patient-driven process"
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13   On page 2, after line 2, insert the following:
14 "NEW SECTION. **Sec. 2.** This act may not be construed to apply to:
15 (1) Speech that does not constitute performing sexual orientation
16 change efforts by licensed health care providers on patients under age
17 eighteen;
18 (2) Religious practices or counseling under the auspices of a
19 religious denomination, church, or organization that do not constitute
20 performing sexual orientation change efforts by licensed health care
21 providers on patients under age eighteen; and
22 (3) Non-licensed counselors acting under the auspices of a
23 religious denomination or church."
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25   Renumber the remaining sections consecutively and correct any
26 internal references accordingly.
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1   On page 3, beginning on line 3, after "sex." strike all material

2 through "therapy."" on line 4

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4   Correct the title.

     EFFECT: Removes language specifying that the minors to be
protected include those who are lesbian, gay, bisexual, and
transgender. Places the construction in a separate section, rather
than the intent section and adds that the act is not to be construed
as applying to non-licensed counselors acting under the auspices of
a religious church or denomination. Removes references to
"reparative therapy" and "conversion therapy" in the definition of
"sexual orientation change efforts." Clarifies that the Legislature
finds that it has a compelling interest in maintaining a patient-
driven process.

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