

HB 463 -- MISSOURI SAVE ADOLESCENTS FROM EXPERIMENTATION ACT

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This bill establishes the "Missouri Save Adolescents from Experimentation (SAFE) Act". This bill provides that no physician or other health care provider may provide gender transition procedures, as defined, to any individual under 18 years of age and shall not refer any individual under 18 years of age to any other health care provider for gender transition procedures.

Any physician or health care provider who willfully and knowingly provides or assists in the provision of gender transition procedures in violation of the provisions of this bill shall have his or her license, application for license, or authority to practice rejected or revoked by his or her respective licensing board.

The provision of gender transition procedures to an individual under 18 years of age in violation of the provisions of this bill shall be grounds for a cause of action against the health care provider as a tort action for personal injury or death based on improper health care under Chapter 538, RSMo.

This bill establishes that a person commits the offense of abuse or neglect of a child if such person coerces a child who is under 18 years of age to undergo any surgical or hormonal treatment for the purpose of gender transition.

This bill is similar to SB 164 (2023).