

South Carolina House Votes to Protect Kids, Combat Radical Gender Ideology

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WASHINGTON—Heritage Action, a conservative grassroots organization with two million activists, including thousands of South Carolinians, applauds the South Carolina House of Representatives for passing [H. 4624](#), essential legislation to prohibit experimental sex-related procedures that can inflict irreversible damage on children.

[Catherine Gunsalus](#), director of state advocacy at Heritage Action, released the following statement today commending the South Carolina House and encouraging the State Senate to follow suit as soon as possible:

“Children are not social experiments. Dangerous hormones and irreversible operations for kids should be illegal in South Carolina and every state in the Union. When a child is struggling, they need compassionate care—not experimental drugs and surgeries that destroy their physical and mental health and subject them to irreparable harm.”

“Heritage Action commends the South Carolina House for taking the right step today to protect children and combat radical gender ideology by passing H. 4624. Lawmakers in the State Senate must show the same courage and vote to protect children in the state as soon as possible.”

“We look forward to working alongside South Carolinians to fight back against any form of radical gender ideology in the Palmetto State.”

Today’s vote in the South Carolina House comes days after lawmakers in Ohio’s State House [voted to override](#) Gov. Mike DeWine’s veto of similar legislation, HB 68, that bans gender reassignment treatment for minors and prevents biological males from competing against female athletes.

Polling shows broad, bipartisan support for the legislation in South Carolina and Ohio. [More than 65%](#) of Americans oppose access to puberty-blocking medication for children, and [almost 70%](#) of Americans do not believe male athletes should be allowed to compete against girls and women.

BACKGROUND:

- The Heritage Foundation: [Does “Gender-Affirming Care” For Trans Kids Actually Prevent Suicide? Here’s What The Data Say](#)
- The Heritage Foundation: [States May Protect Minors by Banning “Gender-Affirming Care”](#)
- The Daily Wire: [‘Huge Money Maker’: Video Reveals Vanderbilt’s Shocking Gender ‘Care.’ Threats Against Dissenting Doctors](#)

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