



Testimony: S2863

SUPPORT for 12 Month Hormone Therapy Coverage

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Dear Chair Murray and Members of the Senate Health and Services Committee,

My name is Eliza Sirpenski and I am the Administrative Policy Lead at The Womxn Project, a Providence-based nonprofit that focuses on bodily freedom, LGBTQ+ rights, and government transparency.

I am writing on behalf of the organization to express our support of the 12 month Hormone Therapy Coverage bill, S2863, and hope the committee brings it to the floor for a vote. If passed, it will require one year of hormone therapy dispensed at one time to ensure continuity in access and eliminate gaps in hormone use. Furthermore, this bill would improve the accessibility of essential healthcare, allowing more people to receive the treatment they need.

Prescription hormone therapy treats a number of conditions, many of which have very few, if any, alternative treatments available. Additionally, hormone therapy can be life saving and does not just impact physical health, but mental health as well. Hormone therapy is most often prescribed to women and trans people, two demographics who already struggle to be taken seriously by healthcare professionals and often go without the treatments they need.

If this bill can take away some of the unnecessary barriers women and trans people face and improve quality of life for countless people, it should absolutely be passed.

Please support S2863 and protect the health of those who need prescription hormone therapy.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

Eliza Sirpenski

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