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H.B. No. 2116

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to psychological evaluations before the provision of gender reassignment treatments and procedures.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

SECTION 1. Chapter 161, Health and Safety Code, is amended by adding Subchapter X to read as follows:

SUBCHAPTER X. PSYCHOLOGICAL EVALUATION REQUIRED FOR GENDER REASSIGNMENT TREATMENTS AND PROCEDURES

Sec. 161.701. DEFINITIONS. In this subchapter:

(1) "Gender reassignment treatment or procedure" means a medical treatment or procedure provided or performed for the purpose of altering an individual's primary or secondary sex characteristics.

(2) "Health care provider" means an individual who is licensed, certified, or otherwise authorized by this state's laws to provide or render health care or to dispense or prescribe a prescription drug in the ordinary course of business or practice of a profession.

Sec. 161.702. PSYCHOLOGICAL EXAMINATION REQUIRED FOR GENDER REASSIGNMENT TREATMENTS AND PROCEDURES. A health care provider may not provide or perform a gender reassignment treatment or procedure unless the person receiving the gender reassignment treatment or procedure has undergone a psychological examination by a psychologist licensed in this state.

1           SECTION 2. Subchapter X, Chapter 161, Health and Safety  
2 Code, as added by this Act, applies only to a gender reassignment  
3 treatment or procedure that is provided or performed on or after the  
4 effective date of this Act.

5           SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2023.