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**Idaho Department of Health and Welfare**

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**ISSUE: VITAL STATISTICS RULES**

**DOCKET NO.: 16-0208-1901**

**DATE: Tuesday, September 24, 2019**

**TIME: 2:00 p.m. PDT**

**LOCATION: Region V Office, 601 Poleline Road, Twin Falls, Idaho, Conference Room A**

\*If possible, please provide us a written copy of your comments to be included in the official record.

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Comment: (Please use the back if you need more room.)	<p>Please do not consider making this "change of <del>identity</del> gender identity" on Idaho Birth Certificates of minors by their parents.</p> <p>This adds confusion to an already confused world.</p> <p>The Bible clearly states that God created male &amp; female. A DNA test would verify what God has already designed.</p> <p>Shirley A. Thompson</p>



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Full Name:	Jeannie KASTL
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Comment: (Please use the back if you need more room.)	<p>The world is going to get. God gave our forefathers great wisdom in setting up our system. The people of the U.S. have &amp; are not following God's word according to his all power, all wisdom. This change is ridiculous. Read God's Word - he made man &amp; woman. There <del>is</del> no "its" &amp; no mention of any other sex. They are living in sin. Do they think they know better than our creator?</p>



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Full Name:	CHARLES RASTL
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Comment: (Please use the back if you need more room.)	THERE HAS BEEN TWO GENDERS SINCE THE HUMAN RACE WAS BORN, THOSE TWO GENDERS HAVE SORTED THAT HUMAN RACE AND IS A CONCRETE REALITY. WE COULD CLAIM TO BE ANYTHING WE WISHED BUT THAT DOES NOT CHANGE THE REALITY OF THE GENDER THAT WE HAD AT BIRTH. WISHING TO BE ANOTHER GENDER IS MAKE - <del>REALITY</del> BELIEVE. MALE/FEMALE GENDER IS PART OF OUR TRUE IDENTITY.



Good After Noon Health and Wellfair Representatives (Michael Sosa)

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My Name is Michael Sosa.

I am here to warn against allowing Transgender people change their sex on their Birth cert.

Gender is a Gift From God

Social Gender Contract are God given, every

and for our Benefits.

Society and In the past have that has

Done away with Gender Contracts have

Ended up in Ruin. Explain Solomon & Gomorrah

~~Start~~ ~~those~~ Do Run and Not Longer in

Existance are Lead Explems of what Happen

to Civiation when they Forsake God Order.

Social Contracts. Man is a man

where or not he Likes it and a woman

is a woman where or not she Likes it

Genesis 1:26 The God said let us make

Man in our Image.

God won't Allow Those who Attack his Image

go unpunished

Gen 2: 21-25

So The LORD God caused a Deep Sleep to fall upon the man, and he slept; then He took one of his ribs and closed up the flesh at that place.

The LORD God fashioned into a woman the rib which He had taken from the man.

The man said "This is bone of my bone and flesh of my flesh; she shall be called woman, because she was taken out of man."

A man who says that he feels like a woman is cheap. What it means to be a woman

for he can know the pain love joy and pain scars and pains of caring for a child in her womb for 9 months

the hormonal changes that come monthly

only a biological woman. If this change allowed pedophile men to use the same public restroom as all little girls this would also require men to masturbate in a restroom with women. So you would be placing male rapists in a cell with a woman.

Matthew 9:4-6 ~~he who created them male~~  
For this reason he in the beginning created

them male and female and shall leave his mother and father and to become one

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**PEGGY LINDLEY**  
**September 24, 2019**  
**2:58 p.m. CT**

Operator: This is Conference # 776966679R.

Dieuwke Dizney-Spencer: Good afternoon. Can you hear me (over there)? All right. Good afternoon.

This is a public hearing for docket number 16-0208-1901. We may still have a few people coming in, we'll certainly welcome them in but in the interest of time, I'd like to begin the proceedings.

Let the record -- I have opening comments that I'll make, then comment from this department and then we will call individuals up by name to present their testimony. So, I'll go through the formalities of opening the meeting to get this started.

Let the record show that I am Dieuwke Dizney-Spencer, designated as the facilitator for this public hearing by the administrator for the division of public health in the Department of Health and Welfare. It is 2 o'clock PM, on Tuesday, September 24, 2019. We are in conference room A of the Region V office in Twin Falls, Idaho. And this is the time and place set to receive oral and written comments as provided for in Section 67-5222 Idaho Code for the proposed rulemaking under IDAPA 16.02.08 Vital Statistics Rules found in docket number 16-0208-1901.

The purpose of this proceeding is to gather facts, views and arguments from all interested persons relative to the proposed rules so that they may receive consideration by the Department

of Health and Welfare. I will accept written statements or documents today if relevant and signed by the persons presenting them. The materials will be included as exhibits in the record for this hearing which I will submit to the administrative rules unit following the close of this hearing.

Let the record show that the notice of this hearing was published in the Idaho administrative bulletin on Wednesday, July 3rd, 2019 as required by Section 67-5221 Idaho Code. This publication was made timely and other necessary notice requirements have been met. This public hearing is an informal proceeding. There is no right to cross-examine the person offering comments nor is there a right to counsel or subpoena. No objections or procedures of a technically legal nature will be accepted.

As the facilitator, I am the sole regulator of the course of the presentations including but not limited to a determination that the comments are outside the scope of the rule or that the comments are unduly repetitious. I am not here to answer questions or to explain any part of the proposed rules. If you have questions or concerns regarding this rulemaking, please contact Elke Shaw-Tulloch at 208-334-5950.

All those interested persons attending this proceeding are asked to sign in on the roster by the entrance indicating a desire if any to make an oral presentation. After a brief statement made by the Department of Health and Welfare summarizing the information upon which the proposed action is based, each person will be given an opportunity to speak at least once prior to any person being heard a second time.

If public attendance is high and time does not permit second testimonies, the facilitator will limit testimonies to one per person. At this time, the Department of Health and Welfare's statement will be read into the record followed by the opportunity for oral comments.

There have been two rules in place relating to gender change since early 2018. The first rule was implemented in 2018 in response to a federal court order that required the Department of Health and Welfare to allow people to change their gender on a birth certificate -- excuse me. This rule was in effect as of April 6, 2018 and remains in effect.

The second rule, the rule pertaining to today's meeting, requires that those who want to change the gender on a minor's birth certificate, those under the age of 18, to submit a letter from a medical or mental health professional confirming the gender change request is consistent with the gender the minor identifies with. This document is called an attestation.

The second rule is currently a temporary rule and is in the process of public comment. Following the series of public hearings this month, the rule would be presented for legislative review during the next legislative session starting in January of 2020.

Accordingly, today's hearing provides members of the public with an opportunity to provide public comments regarding docket number 16-0208-1901, the medical attestation rule for minors. We ask that everyone adhere to a set of ground rules established to ensure a smooth, orderly process for hearing from everyone wishing to comment. The ground rules are as follows.

Number one, remain respectful of everyone including those testifying with opinions or perspectives with which you may disagree by not interrupting testimonies or expressing disruptive verbal displays of agreement or disagreement after testimonies.

Number two, do not applaud any speaker's comments as this will limit the time of verbal comments that will be heard.

Number three, please turn cell phones off or to the vibrating mode during the hearing to avoid distracting others that may be testifying, and please step outside to make personal phone calls if you need to.

Number four, members of the public testifying will need to keep their testimony to a maximum length of three minutes. This time limit will be strictly enforced by the meeting facilitator to ensure that as many people as possible are provided the opportunity to give testimony.

Number five, keep comments relevant to the rule at hand, the medical attestation for minors.

Lastly, due to the timeframe allotted to receive public comments, we also have paper forms available for members of the public to submit written comments. These written comments hold the same weight as verbal testimony.

This concludes the Department's statement.

Next, (Ryan) in the back will call upon those persons who indicated a wish to testify this afternoon. I do need to let you know that these proceedings are being recorded. There's a small tape recorder.

There is also a phone line which is the second speaker which is that thing, the phone line is in a listen-only mode so those who are listening in will not be able to speak in or to make comments.

This has been an addition since the rule was published. So, there is an opportunity for people to listen in.

So, since these proceedings are being recorded, I ask that those who wish to speak, please come forward to the microphone, speak clearly and provide your name and spelling your

surname so that as we transcribe the recording we know who's who. So, if you could do that prior to beginning your comments, that would help us out.

So with that, we will go ahead and begin taking testimony. And, again, to remind you, we will make sure that everybody has the opportunity to speak once for three minutes before we go to a second round. That assures that if others join our public hearing in the meantime, they also have an opportunity.

(Ryan), if you could please call our first speaker?

(Ryan): Ms. (Davis)?

(Vicky Davis): Okay. This issue came up as a result of a lawsuit that was filed against Idaho, State of Idaho, and a District Court judge made the decision. In the complaint, the first paragraph in the complaint says that the government has conceded in this litigation that it lacks even a rational basis for refusing to provide such birth certificates accurately reflecting sex based on gender identity.

On that basis alone, plaintiffs are entitled to summary judgment. What that means is that the Idaho attorney didn't even fight the case. He surrendered before there was ever even an argument. So, that's the position that we start from, State of Idaho did not fight this. It just surrendered.

Okay. Now, gender, sex, is in every computer system across the country, every medical, every kind of record there is from your military records, your educational records, school records, credit histories, police record, it's there. Okay. So, changing the gender of a person in mid-life because presumably it will – only be adults -- this problem really is only an adult problem because everywhere we go, we create a paper trail.

So, what we will have is a mismatch in those records. Because you changed it in the State of Idaho doesn't change military records, doesn't change police records, it doesn't change anything else. It's just they are treating this issue as if the birth certificate is simply a piece of paper and has no ramifications anywhere or on anything else and that is simply not true.

If you think about having to change all of those records to keep all records in synch, then it would cost -- the cost of that would probably run into the billions, hundreds of billions probably and maybe even hit a trillion, because I was a computer systems analyst programmer, we had to make one change for the government one time at one small insurance company. It cost the company nearly a half million dollars to do that change.

So, you're talking about all these different entities that have this indicator across every -- the whole country, okay, so every computer system in the whole country. So, they are not going to do that, so what the alternative is to eliminate gender as a significant characteristic. And what that means is that they are eliminating the difference between male and female, okay? All we have is humanoids.

You are not female. You are not male. You are not, I mean, it's just -- all we have is humanoids. So, what that means is in prison, for example, take prison, the next inmate in, first available bed, first available jail cell doesn't make any difference, because we don't recognize that there is a difference between men and women by doing this.

So, what the judge was doing when she made this decision was that she was not just legislating from the bench, she was dictating science from the bench, which constitutes an elimination of a biological truth which is that there is a difference between men and women.

Dieuwke Dizney-Spencer: You want to make a closing statement?

(Vicky Davis): I have a lot more. I'll wait for the second round if there is one.

Dieuwke Dizney-Spencer: Thank you. And I'll remind you that if you're up there speaking, (Ryan) will hold up a one minute left and then 30 seconds left.

(Off-mike)

(Gene Lawley): Good afternoon. The name is Lawley -- L-A-W-L-E-Y -- (Gene Lawley). I'm retired from the CPA profession 10 years ago here in Twin Falls. I don't need to elaborate on what she said except that this whole thing is a platform of the sexual revolution and the gender manipulation frenzy that I've termed it that we've seen going on, have been for months even years just coming down to the place where the only thing that I can see in this is chaos and confusion and even the destruction of our society because how are we going to be able to address one another.

I can see the possibility that even were this to be in place along with all the background that hunkers behind it that even a policeman trying to maintain the law would be used for not properly identifying the gender that the person wanted to be known as. It even could come down to that place where you and I as individual citizens -- I've been a Christian for nearly 64 years, I've come to realize that quickly that there's a great spiritual warfare going on in the world today and this is part of it, I believe, because this only leads to destruction of the ideal perfect creation of mankind in the image of God. Satan's attack on mankind is a slap in God's face because we are the greatest creation he ever created in his own image, therefore, I think this thing is coming to great judgment and very soon.

The Lord has said in one place, woe is to those who call evil good and good evil. I don't discredit or disrespect those who have different opinions about this, but I do respect what God has to say and today there is no fear of God before the eyes of much of the population.

(Ryan): Okay, (Charles). I'm sorry.

(Charles Collins): My name is (Charles Collins) -- C-O-L-L-I-N-S. I'd like to ask, is there any other way of informing people of public meetings like this? I only heard about this by accident on the radio. So, I don't know how you get to the public. So, I think it might be a good idea to think about that in future public meetings.

I think this whole thing is like an episode of Seinfeld, where ((inaudible)) comes in you got to do something that doesn't look bad. This whole male and female thing is a basis of identification as one of the speakers said. How can you track anybody down? How can the police force identify who is who? If the judge says we have to change the birth certificate, I recommend that you have somebody on there to look for a DNA classification of what that person is. Thank you.

(Ryan): (Jennifer Blair)?

(Jennifer Blair): My name is (Jennifer Blair) -- B-L-A-I-R. I think everybody in the room probably has the shared goal of coming together to protect the most vulnerable in society. And if we look at statistics, it's easy to recognize that currently in America the most vulnerable population statistically across the board are transgender individuals, particularly transgender people of color.

If we look at the people who are fighting against protection for these people, I would have fallen into this category about seven years ago. Currently, I work with hundreds of transgender adults and teenagers across the nation but only seven years ago I knew zero. This new law that started in April 2018 has affected so far less than one tenth of one percent of people in Idaho. The people fighting against these protections are largely completely unaware and unaffected by these things.

We're seeing a lot of words that sound a lot like fear mongering, but really there's only one issue on the table and that is whether or not we need to involve mental and medical health professionals in this legal decision. That's the only issue. We're not talking about law enforcement officers. We're not talking about the legal rights of anything else. There's only one issue. And when it comes to this vulnerable population in a state like Idaho, it is already amazingly difficult for these individuals to access culturally competent therapists and mental health professionals.

Here in Twin Falls, we're super lucky we're one of the bigger cities in Idaho. And there is still no (WCOS) trained certified therapist in Twin falls. What does mean for areas like ((Inaudible))? What does that mean in ((inaudible)) or smaller towns that I can't even name in Idaho? For people who need to travel, who maybe don't have insurance, we're putting an undue burden on families and children that already belong to a vulnerable population.

Nobody is asking to you to agree with them. Nobody is asking you to affirm them. Nobody is asking to pay for their surgeries. Nobody is asking you to change your beliefs about them. There's only one issue on the table and that's whether or not mental and medical health professionals need to jump into another family and decide what that family is doing about a single issue.

(Ryan): (Deborah Silver)?

(Deborah Silver): All right. I'm (Deborah Silver) -- S-I-L-V-E-R. I'm also a certified public accountant so, two of us in the room. I'm going to the bad stuff, we have a population that is at risk and I think in our society, this doesn't affect any of those people and I'm willing to let them decide how they're going to live their lives especially where it isn't hurting someone else, but again, this doesn't affect me personally. This affects other people every single day so we start hearing about (change of lives) that people have and the documents don't match, it's something for such a small

percentage as you said of our population, I don't like any barriers to be merciful to my fellow citizens. Thank you.

(Ryan): (Paul Thompson)?

(Paul Thompson): My name is (Paul Thompson) -- T-H-O-M-P-S-O-N and I'm a resident here in Twin Falls. So, with respect I completely want -- I want to completely express my appreciation that the Idaho Health and Welfare Department would give us a hearing for this so that citizens could speak to this.

And with respect as well, I want to express a similar sentiment, I'm disappointed of the lack of information about this hearing in advance and furthermore, the time of day for this hearing is in the pathway of the working class. And so, I just thought that if we noted that in future hearings that we would appreciate either longer periods of time so that those folks in the afternoon or evening timeframes could come.

I have to ask a couple of questions to and of ourselves, will we be governed as a people in the State of Idaho by righteous laws or are we going to be governed by unrighteous judges? I think that's an important decision we've got to make as a state.

So, my appeal today is not about whether it's offensive to someone, my appeal is to the conscience and it's concerning what is true, truth. Everyone in this room and everyone that's hearing this and everyone who will come to the discussion on this know this is true, we're all born as humans, that's the truth. No human ever bears a child or an offspring that is not a human, the Bible describes that we are born male and female.

So, this is biologically correct. It's scientifically correct. The Idaho constitution acknowledges the God of the bible by calling upon him and expressing our appreciation as the people of the State of Idaho grateful to the Almighty God.

And so, the appeal here is not to ignore the psychological, this is an appeal to the defense of what is righteously true and that is that all humans are male or female. Now, statistically, there is a rare exception of inter-sex born individual. That rare exception is not the rule and should not be treated as the rule.

The jurisdiction of the higher authority is at risk here. Our conscience knows that this is true and it is absolutely true. This is what some call true science. This is what I call a true truth. To give this option to the general public to decide against truth is not compassionate. It's not loving. It's not true.

If the discussion is about psychological, then we can talk about those contributing factors that would cause a boy to think that he's a girl or a girl to think that she is a boy. So, I'll stop my statement there, and if time allows I have a few other things to share too. Thank you.

(Ryan): If we could have a – ((inaudible)) the few people had said no, (if they change their mind).

Dieuwke Disney-Spencer: Everyone who signed up to testify. Is there anyone who would like to speak for the first time? Seeing no one, I will invite our first speaker, Ms. (Davis), I think to come up and conclude your comments.

(Vicky Davis): I have to apologize. The first time I spoke, I forgot to give my name. So, my name is (Vicky Davis) -- D-A-V-I-S. Okay. So, where I left off was that in talking about truth, is that the judge made a decision, the judge is legislating science, denying an absolute truth which is that there is a biological difference between people.

Okay. So, coincidentally, when this issue came up, my driver's license comes up for renewal this month, and I got a notice from the U.S. Department of Transportation and I found out there's something called the Star Card, okay? And what a Star Card is, they are implementing something called REAL ID. And what REAL ID is that when they take your photograph now, they'll use a special camera that does biometrical measurements of your face, okay?

So, this is occurring concurrently along with this elimination of the identifier male or female. Okay. The reason they are doing this change is -- and people will have to have the new ID in order to use any public conveyance, a train, airplane, they will have to have this REAL ID that uses the measurements of your face as the identifier. Okay.

And I don't think it's a coincidence. I don't think it's a coincidence with what is going on with the gender change. Is what we're living through here is a dialectic. Okay. So, because I might need a fly, I decided I'd go to the website where you have to get your driver's or get your vital statistics records. And what Idaho has done is they have contracted out the function of maintenance of our vital statistics records to a company called LexisNexis Risk Solutions company. Okay.

Now, I tracked the information on that company. VitalChek is the name on the website but the name of the company is LexisNexis Risk Solutions.

Dieuwke Dizney-Spencer: Ma'am, are you getting to...

(Vicky Davis): I'm getting to it.

Dieuwke Dizney-Spencer: Yes. Okay. Thank you. Yes.

(Vicky Davis): Okay. Now, to get the -- because this involves getting the birth certificate, okay, and on the VitalChek website, there's a dropdown box for you to select your gender. So, they already have this whole set up probably the minute that court decision was made which is probably why the Idaho attorney did not fight this case, because of this contract with this company.

Okay. So, I followed -- I went to the Securities and Exchange Commission, followed it all the way through, it turns out that the company is a British company based in the city of London. It is not even an American company. So, all of our -- all of our vital statistics are being maintained by a company that is a British company.

And I have all the prints here. I will be -- I'm writing a report on it. It will be published on my website. Okay.

Now, LexisNexis Risk Solutions is owned by a company called RELX -- R-E-L-X. And that is also the (twofer) name for the -- it turns out that this company also has a contract with 40 of our states and they do business in 180 different countries.

Okay. So, this is a global system and the State of Idaho has not -- by the way, public health in the State of Idaho is a privatized function. There is the contractor called (Janus), the Greek -- I think it's Greek god (Janus), two-faced, one facing this direction, one facing that direction and it's very appropriate.

Okay. Now, ultimately, I ended up on LexisNexis which I don't know how many of you use the computer, how many of you do search on the computer, but LexisNexis is a company that gathers information, sells information and analytics, so from all sources, from newspapers, schools, hospitals, just everywhere, everywhere. LexisNexis is the source for information and that company is the one that has control of our vital statistics.

I also found out they're working with the UN, the United Nations, to implement the sustainable resource or sustainable development goals. And it all has to do with social justice. So this is the United Nations agenda, ultimately a global system for total information awareness.

And I'll be writing a report on it. I will send it into you. And it will be posted on my website which is called thetechnocratiyranny.com. Okay. Thank you.

Dieuwke Dizney-Spencer: And, sir, do you like to come and finish your comments?

(Paul Thompson): (Okay).

Dieuwke Dizney-Spencer: Thank you.

Paul Thompson: So, I'm Paul Thompson again, T-H-O-M-P-S-O-N. So this is just from where I stopped earlier. And that this is not a psychological discussion, but this is a truth discussion and the truth here is male and female is a truth that no enlightened society should suppress.

Just because another place allows this is no reason to subject Idahoans and to allow the popularity of wrong science and simple thinking to be reflecting -- a reflection of the right thinking of citizens of Idaho.

I can't change one truth without eventually allowing another truth to be changed. Civilization needs truth to be truth. Sex is male and female. Gender is not sex. A man with feminine characteristics is not a female. A woman with masculine characteristics is not a male.

Science tells us the difference between male and female. The Bible declares there is a difference between male and female. So my appeal to the Idaho Health and Welfare in large to the

legislators and to the State of Idaho is to don't subject the great State of Idaho to the absurd thinking of what other people think is compassionate.

The world always respects the people who defend the truth, to suppress this truth as to make a mockery of truth. To mock truth is to mock God. And do not be deceived here. God is not and will not be mocked. Thank you.

Dieuwke Dizney-Spencer: Thank you very much. Is there anyone else who would like to make a comment? Yes, come on up and please do state your name for the record.

Jennifer Blair: I think I will so regret it if I didn't take on one last opportunity. Just -- oh, sorry.

Dieuwke Dizney-Spencer: Go please state your name.

Jennifer Blair: My name is Jennifer Blair -- B-L-A-I-R. I would have regrets if I didn't take one last second while it's available. I'm hearing repeated arguments against transgender people as individuals or the physiology of gender in general.

I'm looking for other reasonable and valid discussions ((inaudible)) in those discussions actually almost on a daily basis. And I think there's a lot of value in having those discussions and I think reasonable people can have those discussions without anger.

And I think they're valuable. I don't think they're relevant to this particular discussion or this particular topic, so the validity of transgender people or their existence isn't up for debate. Thirty-two percent of people according to studies experience negative form of violent -- have negative or violent experiences in their daily lives when their paperwork doesn't match.

Their perceived gender as they go through their lives trying to go through the airport and when your paperwork doesn't match is a violent experience for transgender people. Most of us don't experience that. It's hard to relate to.

Intersex people, that is a really rare experience, it's as rare specifically as being born a natural redhead. I'm not a natural redhead I think. But it's statistically the same percent, we would never create laws and then say, no, that doesn't apply to redheads. We'll just ignore them because it's statistically rare.

Not because we don't naturally go around looking at people's hormones or their genitals, thank heavens. That is exactly what we do to intersex people. It's not as rare as we like to pretend. Intersex people are real.

They exist and they walk among us. I know a half a dozen that live in Twin Falls. They just don't talk to you about it. So when we stand at a microphone and say things like this is statistically rare, let's ignore them, it's cruel.

And I don't believe that we're cruel people. Their birth certificates don't affect any of us. We go to life -- we go about our life. We go to school. We do our laundry, we do our baking. And none of us are affected by what their birth certificates say. But their lives are dramatically affected by this.

Every major medical and mental health organization in the industrialized world is in 100 percent agreement about the most effective way to interact and treat a transgender community. There are a handful of organizations and individuals that disagree.

We've heard from a few of them today. And none of it is based in science. So we can use happy words like science but it isn't science that brings us in that direction. But none of that is relevant to the discussion today.

The discussion today is about impeding the children in our particular state about getting the documents they need to best protect them. That is the decision for parents and children as an individual.

So far, in the State of Idaho, we are talking about 15 people who are backlogged until April 6th, 2018, 15 people up until that day, only 15, 15 people in our state were affected by that. And none of those 15 people were you and they weren't me. But they are probably the most, 15 of the most vulnerable people in our state.

So, we can argue about gender. We can talk about gender. We can talk about conspiracy theories and scaremongering all day long. But the only people that are really affected by the law that we're talking about today are the families and those handful of individuals who are under the age of 18 who deserve to have the paperwork that represents them in the state, represents their living experience on the planet as they attempt to travel around the world and through the states and in between the states. Thank you.

Dieuwke Disney-Spencer: Thank you. Is there anyone else wishing to comment at this time?

(Off-mike)

Dieuwke Disney-Spencer: (But -- one second) just a moment, sir. Please remember to state your name for the record.

Charles Collins: Charles Collins -- C-O-L-L-I-N-S. I wasn't aware of a lot of this background, so I'm just aware of that that this all about children under the age of 18. I think that especially should not be changed. Those children should have a voice when they become adults, period.

Dieuwke Dizney-Spencer: Thank you. And is there anyone else wishing to make comments at this time? All right, I don't see anyone else wishing to make comment. This is a scheduled two-hour opportunity for hearing. I'm required to remain available here for at least 30 minutes if anyone else is to come.

So, I will mute the phone for those folks on the phone. I will mute that and we will wait 30 minutes if anyone else comes and wishes to testify. If no one comes within that period of time, I will officially close the hearing.

So at this time, you are welcome to stay, if you need to leave, you can certainly do that, but we will be here for another 30 minutes, so that is almost quarter after three. So, thank you. And I thank you all for a very respectful and civil hearing this afternoon, so thank you and we will -- I will come back (to the mike) in 30 minutes. Thank you.

(BREAK)

Dieuwke Dizney-Spencer: Good afternoon again, this is Dieuwke Dizney-Spencer, facilitator of this public hearing and we have had someone new enter in the room who would like to testify.

Sir, I'd like that you please come up to the podium. State your name, spell your last name and we have three minutes, so I'm going to hold up for...

Gerald Gilmartin: Three minutes? Just enough to get started.

Dieuwke Dizney-Spencer: Well, I guess you'll get a second chance.

Gerald Gilmartin: All right.

Dieuwke Dizney-Spencer: Right. Thank you.

Gerald Gilmartin: My name is Gerald Gilmartin from Jerome, Idaho. Gilmartin is G-I-L-M-A-R-T-I-N. Yes, this is certificate of live birth (doctoring). This is newfangled political correctness of the left leaning scary-ers from the east coast would rather we caved into. I'm not a big fan of it.

Pretty much bigger when you come out of the womb and you come out there as a little boy or little girl, just kind of how you should remain regardless of your inclination or what you think when you get older. Not a stranger to LGBT nonsense that goes on.

But I do have a gay son. And I'm not thrilled with his lifestyle choices, but when it's your own kid you can't help but love them. And so I'm no stranger to that world, but still not a fan of all the crazy nonsense the left keeps coming up with changing the way this country was founded on Judeo-Christian values as Donald Trump has reminded us many times, great president that he is.

I think all this nonsense about changing genders is foolishness. I've got some advice for the prisoner who wants to change from a man to woman or a woman to a man, the state can save like a million dollars if they just give them a pass and say, "You know what? We're going to let you out of jail," so just my two cents.

Anyway, I'm not a fan of all these crazy political correctness and the constructs that the left comes up with all the time. It's gone from being obnoxious to just being crazy now and have to put up with that nonsense.

It's very frustrating to us (guys) on the (left) who were brought up differently and will see things the way they do. Anyway, I suppose that's probably ((inaudible)).

Dieuwke Dizney-Spencer: You got minutes to go ...

Gerald Gilmartin: Oh -- keep talking. What else? Yes, this says changing legal certificate of live birth document if one believes they are different gender. I think that's not how that works. I mean people might not like their gender but ((inaudible)) a million dollars and change it supposedly, that's not the same ((inaudible)) tens of thousands of dollars taking drugs to keep the change and that's all. It's like a first, second class. Yes, that's not a good use of your money if you ask me.

So, I ((inaudible)), we run a family business over at Jerome Commercial Credit Union and I can assure you my other two sons that work there with me are not fans of that equipment, ((inaudible)) president probably, he's not a fan of the gender -- this gender reassignment nonsense ((inaudible)) newspapers, but yes, I don't think you can personally ((inaudible)). All right.

Dieuwke Dizney-Spencer: Thank you.

Gerald Gilmartin: Thank you.

Dieuwke Dizney-Spencer: Thank you. All right, so any other new individuals in the audience wishing to participate, anyone who's not yet spoken? Okay. We will start 30 minutes again. If others come in within that time, we'll give them the opportunity to speak or submit their written comments and so I will -- so, okay, 30 minutes -- 30 minutes. Okay, so, again, you're welcome to say if we have others come or you're certainly free to leave.

Thank you.

(BREAK)

Dieuwke Dizney-Spencer: All right. This is -- for the record, this is Dieuwke Dizney-Spencer. I believe we have one more person who would like to speak and -- I don't know if you can go up to the podium.

Please state your name for the record. And we'll take your testimony. Thank you very much.

Shirley A. Thompson-Lawley: I'm a scary cat. My name is Shirley A. Thompson-Lawley. Legally it's T-H-O-M-P-S-O-N. I'm asking the Idaho Department of Health and Welfare to please don't consider making this change of gender identity on Idaho birth certificates for minors by their parents.

I think we live in a real confused world. This does not clarify, but it adds to the confusion. I was an RN, only practiced for 18 years because I didn't follow that path until I was 52 years old.

And I've been retired a long time now. But out of that time, I did receive a baby who was born with both genitalia. It was my first time to ever even know that that could happen. But when I received her, she, even though born with both genitalia, has been proven to be female.

And so, I'm a Christian. And I do believe that God created, he made it plain, he created male and female, and for that little baby, it was DNA testing that could prove what God had already designed, that baby. And so, I respectfully submit that testimony to you all and ask the State of Idaho to not add the confusion but to keep it plain. Thank you.

Dieuwke Dizney-Spencer: Thank you very much.

Thank you. Anyone else wishing to speak for the first time? Okay, we will all again start the 30 minutes. And if others show we will certainly go ahead and testify. And, again, thank you guys for being so respectful and civil through this afternoon. Thank you. And I will put the phone back on mute for those of you on the phone.

(BREAK)

Dieuwke Dizney-Spencer: For the record, this is Dieuwke Dizney-Spencer, Department of Health and Welfare for the public hearing for docket number 15-0208-1901. Everyone present who would like to speak has spoken.

I'm going to now close meeting. This public hearing started at 2 PM and is now closed. The time is 3:34 PM. The record of this hearing together with submitted written comments will be transmitted to the Department Administrative Rules Unit. Anyone may submit further written comments to the Administrative Rules Unit at the Department of Health and Welfare, Boise, Idaho.

Anyone -- excuse me, the Department of Health and Welfare P.O. Box 83720, Boise, Idaho, 383720-0036 or the DHW rules at [dhw.idaho.gov](http://dhw.idaho.gov). All written comments must be received by Wednesday, September 25th, 2019 and, again, thank you all very much for your participation and a respectful and civil hearing. Thank you.

(Off-mike)

Female: Is there a time that everyone ...

Male: Yes. I call the business ((inaudible)) mountain time.

Male: Yes.

(Off-mike)

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