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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Mrs. HARSHBARGER introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on _____

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1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Treatment and Res-
5 toration Uniformity and Transparency in Health Coverage
6 Act of 2026” or the “TRUTH in Coverage Act of 2026”.

7 **SEC. 2. REQUIRING GROUP HEALTH PLANS AND HEALTH**
8 **INSURANCE ISSUERS OFFERING GROUP OR**
9 **INDIVIDUAL HEALTH INSURANCE COVERAGE**
10 **THAT PROVIDE BENEFITS FOR SEX-REJECT-**
11 **ING PROCEDURES TO PROVIDE BENEFITS**
12 **FOR ITEMS AND SERVICES TO ADDRESS THE**
13 **HARMS OF SUCH PROCEDURES.**

14 (a) PHSA.—Part D of title XXVII of the Public
15 Health Service Act (42 U.S.C. 300gg–111 et seq.) is
16 amended by adding at the end the following new section:

17 **“SEC. 2799A–12. REQUIRED COVERAGE OF ITEMS AND SERV-**
18 **ICES TO ADDRESS THE HARMS OF SEX-RE-**
19 **JECTING PROCEDURES.**

20 “(a) IN GENERAL.—A group health plan and a health
21 insurance issuer offering group or individual health insur-
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25 an individual who has received any such procedure to ad-

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2 care), regardless of whether—

3 “(1) such individual received benefits with re-
4 spect to the sex-rejecting procedure under the indi-
5 vidual’s plan or coverage; or

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7 the individual’s plan or coverage for the sex-rejecting
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9 “(b) APPLICATION OF FINANCIAL REQUIREMENTS
10 AND TREATMENT LIMITATIONS.—A group health plan
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14 harms of sex-rejecting procedures are required to be pro-
15 vided under such plan or coverage under subsection (a)—

16 “(1) the financial requirements applicable to
17 such items and services are no more restrictive than
18 the predominant financial requirements applied to
19 substantially all medical and surgical benefits cov-
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21 rate cost-sharing requirements that are applicable
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23 “(2) the treatment limitations applicable to
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15 through (iii), respectively, of section 2726(a)(3)(B),
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17 clude aggregate lifetime limits and annual limits.

18 “(3) MALE.—Referring to a natural person, the
19 term ‘male’ means an individual characterized by a
20 reproductive system naturally organized to produce
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22 aly) small gametes (sperm).

23 “(4) RESTORATIVE CARE.—The term ‘restora-
24 tive care’ means items and services furnished to an
25 individual who has received any sex-rejecting proce-

1 dure at any point during the individual’s lifetime to
2 address, mitigate, monitor, treat, or reverse the
3 harms, complications, and adverse effects of such
4 procedure, including interventions intended to re-
5 store, to the greatest extent practicable, healthy
6 human form and functioning. Such care includes
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8 “(A) impaired reproductive capacity, di-
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11 “(B) endocrine dysfunction, hormonal im-
12 balance, hypogonadism, dependence on exoge-
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15 “(C) impaired sexual function, including
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19 “(D) urinary dysfunction, including uri-
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21 complications, recurrent urinary tract infec-
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23 “(E) resultant vocal cord damage, perma-
24 nent voice changes, vocal dysfunction, or im-
25 paired speech;

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2 baldness, breast atrophy, breast development, or
3 other secondary-sex-characteristic changes
4 caused by cross-sex hormones;

5 “(G) osteoporosis, osteopenia, impaired
6 bone development, fractures, reduced bone den-
7 sity, or other skeletal disorders associated with
8 puberty suppression or cross-sex hormone use;

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10 thromboembolic disease, hypertension, stroke,
11 myocardial infarction, metabolic syndrome, dia-
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13 plications associated with such procedures;

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18 the need for revision surgery;

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10 body-image disturbance, or dissociation;

11 “(N) diagnostic testing, specialist evalua-
12 tions, fertility assessments, hormone moni-
13 toring, cancer screening, and long-term medical
14 surveillance necessitated by altered anatomy or
15 prior exposure to puberty blockers, cross-sex
16 hormones, or sex-rejecting surgeries;

17 “(O) fertility services that seek to cooper-
18 ate with, or restore the healthy physiology and
19 anatomy of, the human reproductive system,
20 without the use of methods that circumvent
21 natural human functions, such as any treat-
22 ments or procedures that involve the handling
23 of a human egg or embryo outside the body;

24 “(P) breast cancer in men on estrogen and
25 certain cancers in women on testosterone; and

1 “(Q) any other physical, psychological, re-
2 productive, endocrine, neurologic, cardio-
3 vascular, musculoskeletal, or metabolic injury,
4 impairment, complication, or condition resulting
5 from or associated with a sex-rejecting proce-
6 dure.

7 “(5) SEX.—The term ‘sex’, when referring to
8 an individual’s sex, means to refer to either male or
9 female, as genetically determined at fertilization.

10 “(6) SEX-REJECTING PROCEDURE.—

11 “(A) IN GENERAL.—The term ‘sex-reject-
12 ing procedure’ means any medical or surgical
13 intervention for the purpose of attempting to
14 align an individual’s physical appearance or
15 body with an asserted identity that differs from
16 the individual’s sex, including—

17 “(i) gonadotropin-releasing hormone
18 (GnRH) agonists or any other puberty-
19 blocking or suppressing drugs to stop or
20 delay normal puberty;

21 “(ii) testosterone, dihydrotestosterone
22 (DHT), or other androgens, estrogen, pro-
23 gesterone, to an individual at doses that
24 are supraphysiologic to what would nor-
25 mally be produced endogenously in a

1 healthy individual of the same age and sex,
2 as well as anti-androgen medications;
3 “(iii) castration;
4 “(iv) orchiectomy;
5 “(v) scrotoplasty;
6 “(vi) implantation of erection or tes-
7 ticular prostheses;
8 “(vii) vasectomy;
9 “(viii) hysterectomy;
10 “(ix) oophorectomy;
11 “(x) ovariectomy;
12 “(xi) reconstruction of the fixed part
13 of the urethra with or without a
14 metoidioplasty or a phalloplasty;
15 “(xii) metoidioplasty;
16 “(xiii) penectomy;
17 “(xiv) phalloplasty;
18 “(xv) vaginoplasty;
19 “(xvi) clitoroplasty;
20 “(xvii) vaginectomy;
21 “(xviii) vulvoplasty;
22 “(xix) reduction thyrochondroplasty;
23 “(xx) chondrolaryngoplasty;
24 “(xxi) mastectomy;
25 “(xxii) tubal ligation;

1 “(xxiii) sterilization;

2 “(xxiv) any plastic, cosmetic, or aes-
3 thetic surgery that feminizes or
4 masculinizes the facial or other physio-
5 logical features of an individual;

6 “(xxv) any placement of chest im-
7 plants to create feminine breasts;

8 “(xxvi) any placement of fat or artifi-
9 cial implants in the gluteal region;

10 “(xxvii) augmentation mammoplasty;

11 “(xxviii) liposuction;

12 “(xxix) lipofilling;

13 “(xxx) voice surgery;

14 “(xxxi) hair reconstruction;

15 “(xxxii) pectoral implants; and

16 “(xxxiii) the removal of any otherwise
17 healthy or non-diseased body part or tis-
18 sue.

19 “(B) EXCEPTIONS.—The term ‘sex-reject-
20 ing procedure’ does not include the following
21 when furnished by a health care professional
22 with the consent of such individual or, if appli-
23 cable, such individual’s parents or legal guard-
24 ian:

1 “(i) Services to individuals born with
2 a medically verifiable disorder of sex devel-
3 opment, including an individual with exter-
4 nal sex characteristics that are irresolvably
5 ambiguous, such as an individual born with
6 46,XX chromosomes with virilization, an
7 individual born with 46,XY chromosomes
8 with undervirilization, or an individual
9 born having both ovarian and testicular
10 tissue.

11 “(ii) Services provided when a physi-
12 cian has otherwise diagnosed a disorder of
13 sex development in which the physician has
14 determined through genetic or biochemical
15 testing that the individual does not have
16 healthy sex chromosome structure, sex
17 steroid hormone production, or sex steroid
18 hormone action for a healthy individual of
19 the same sex and age.

20 “(iii) The treatment of any infection,
21 injury, disease, or disorder that has been
22 caused by or exacerbated by the perform-
23 ance of sex-rejecting procedures, whether
24 or not the sex-rejecting procedure was per-
25 formed in accordance with State and Fed-

1 eral law and whether or not funding for
2 the procedure is permissible under this sec-
3 tion.

4 “(iv) Any procedure undertaken be-
5 cause the individual suffers from a physical
6 disorder, physical injury, or physical illness
7 (but not claimed mental distress) that
8 would, as certified by a physician, place
9 the individual in imminent danger of death
10 or impairment of major bodily function,
11 unless the procedure is performed.

12 “(v) Puberty suppression or blocking
13 prescription drugs for the purpose of nor-
14 malizing puberty for a minor experiencing
15 precocious puberty.

16 “(vi) Male circumcision.”.

17 (b) ERISA.—

18 (1) IN GENERAL.—Subpart B of part 7 of sub-
19 title B of title I of the Employee Retirement Income
20 Security Act of 1974 (29 U.S.C. 1185 et seq.) is
21 amended by adding at the end the following new sec-
22 tion:

1 **“SEC. 727. REQUIRED COVERAGE OF ITEMS AND SERVICES**
2 **TO ADDRESS THE HARMS OF SEX-REJECTING**
3 **PROCEDURES.**

4 “(a) IN GENERAL.—A group health plan and a health
5 insurance issuer offering group health insurance coverage
6 shall, in the case such plan or coverage provides benefits
7 with respect to any sex-rejecting procedure, also provide
8 benefits for items and services furnished to an individual
9 who has received any such procedure to address the harms
10 of such procedure (including restorative care), regardless
11 of whether—

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14 vidual’s plan or coverage; or

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16 the individual’s plan or coverage for the sex-rejecting
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23 rejecting procedures are required to be provided under
24 such plan or coverage under subsection (a)—

25 “(1) the financial requirements applicable to
26 such items and services are no more restrictive than

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4 rate cost-sharing requirements that are applicable
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21 quirement’, ‘predominant’, and ‘treatment limitation’
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18 the individual in imminent danger of death
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20 unless the procedure is performed.

21 “(v) Puberty suppression or blocking
22 prescription drugs for the purpose of nor-
23 malizing puberty for a minor experiencing
24 precocious puberty.

25 “(vi) Male circumcision.”.

(2) CLERICAL AMENDMENT.—The table of contents in section 1 of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (29 U.S.C. 1001 note) is amended by inserting after the item relating to section 726 the following new item:

“Sec. 727. Required coverage of items and services to address the harms of sex-rejecting procedures.”.

6 (c) IRC.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Subchapter B of chapter 100 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 is amended by adding at the end the following new section:

10 **“SEC. 9827. REQUIRED COVERAGE OF ITEMS AND SERVICES**
11 **TO ADDRESS THE HARMS OF SEX-REJECTING**
12 **PROCEDURES.**

13 “(a) IN GENERAL.—A group health plan shall, in the
14 case such plan provides benefits with respect to any sex-
15 rejecting procedure, also provide benefits for items and
16 services furnished to an individual who has received any
17 such procedure to address the harms of such procedure
18 (including restorative care), regardless of whether—

19 “(1) such individual received benefits with re-
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21 vidual’s plan; or

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23 vidual’s plan for the sex-rejecting procedure.

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4 which benefits to address the harms of sex-rejecting proce-
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6 subsection (a)—

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8 such items and services are no more restrictive than
9 the predominant financial requirements applied to
10 substantially all medical and surgical benefits cov-
11 ered by the plan and there are no separate cost-
12 sharing requirements that are applicable only with
13 respect to such items and services; and

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15 such items and services are no more restrictive than
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18 ered by the plan and there are no separate treat-
19 ment limitations that are applicable only with re-
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22 “(1) FEMALE.—Referring to a natural person,
23 the term ‘female’ means an individual characterized
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1 produce (at maturity, absent disruption or con-
2 genital anomaly) large gametes (ova).

3 “(2) FINANCIAL REQUIREMENT; PREDOMINANT;
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5 quirement’, ‘predominant’, and ‘treatment limitation’
6 have the meaning given such terms in clauses (i)
7 through (iii), respectively, of section 9812(a)(3)(B),
8 except that the term ‘financial requirement’ shall in-
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3 genesis, or other reproductive-system injury;

4 “(B) endocrine dysfunction, hormonal im-
5 balance, hypogonadism, dependence on exoge-
6 nous hormones, or other disruption of healthy
7 endocrine function;

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9 loss of sexual sensation, anorgasmia, erectile
10 dysfunction, genital pain, vaginal stenosis, di-
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13 nary incontinence, urinary retention, urethral
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18 paired speech;

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20 baldness, breast atrophy, breast development, or
21 other secondary-sex-characteristic changes
22 caused by cross-sex hormones;

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1 sity, or other skeletal disorders associated with
2 puberty suppression or cross-sex hormone use;

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4 thromboembolic disease, hypertension, stroke,
5 myocardial infarction, metabolic syndrome, dia-
6 betes, or other cardiovascular or metabolic com-
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10 chronic pain, nerve damage, graft failure, im-
11 plant complications, wound complications, or
12 the need for revision surgery;

13 “(J) loss, removal, alteration, or impair-
14 ment of healthy reproductive organs, breasts,
15 genital structures, or other healthy tissues;

16 “(K) reconstructive, regenerative, pros-
17 thetic, plastic, or other surgical interventions
18 intended to restore healthy anatomy, appear-
19 ance, or physiological function;

20 “(L) rehabilitation services, including
21 speech therapy, physical therapy, occupational
22 therapy, pelvic floor therapy, sexual health
23 counseling, and other therapies intended to re-
24 store healthy functioning;

1 “(M) psychiatric or psychological condi-
2 tions associated with or exacerbated by such
3 procedures, including depression, anxiety, trau-
4 ma, suicidality, grief, regret, identity distress,
5 body-image disturbance, or dissociation;

6 “(N) diagnostic testing, specialist evalua-
7 tions, fertility assessments, hormone moni-
8 toring, cancer screening, and long-term medical
9 surveillance necessitated by altered anatomy or
10 prior exposure to puberty blockers, cross-sex
11 hormones, or sex-rejecting surgeries;

12 “(O) fertility services that seek to cooper-
13 ate with, or restore the healthy physiology and
14 anatomy of, the human reproductive system,
15 without the use of methods that circumvent
16 natural human functions, such as any treat-
17 ments or procedures that involve the handling
18 of a human egg or embryo outside the body;

19 “(P) breast cancer in men on estrogen and
20 certain cancers in women on testosterone; and

21 “(Q) any other physical, psychological, re-
22 productive, endocrine, neurologic, cardio-
23 vascular, musculoskeletal, or metabolic injury,
24 impairment, complication, or condition resulting

1 from or associated with a sex-rejecting proce-
2 dure.

3 “(5) SEX.—The term ‘sex’, when referring to
4 an individual’s sex, means to refer to either male or
5 female, as genetically determined at fertilization.

6 “(6) SEX-REJECTING PROCEDURE.—

7 “(A) IN GENERAL.—The term ‘sex-reject-
8 ing procedure’ means any medical or surgical
9 intervention for the purpose of attempting to
10 align an individual’s physical appearance or
11 body with an asserted identity that differs from
12 the individual’s sex, including—

13 “(i) gonadotropin-releasing hormone
14 (GnRH) agonists or any other puberty-
15 blocking or suppressing drugs to stop or
16 delay normal puberty;

17 “(ii) testosterone, dihydrotestosterone
18 (DHT), or other androgens, estrogen, pro-
19 gesterone, to an individual at doses that
20 are supraphysiologic to what would nor-
21 mally be produced endogenously in a
22 healthy individual of the same age and sex,
23 as well as anti-androgen medications;

24 “(iii) castration;

25 “(iv) orchiectomy;

- 1 “(v) scrotoplasty;
- 2 “(vi) implantation of erection or tes-
- 3 ticular prostheses;
- 4 “(vii) vasectomy;
- 5 “(viii) hysterectomy;
- 6 “(ix) oophorectomy;
- 7 “(x) ovariectomy;
- 8 “(xi) reconstruction of the fixed part
- 9 of the urethra with or without a
- 10 metoidioplasty or a phalloplasty;
- 11 “(xii) metoidioplasty;
- 12 “(xiii) penectomy;
- 13 “(xiv) phalloplasty;
- 14 “(xv) vaginoplasty;
- 15 “(xvi) clitoroplasty;
- 16 “(xvii) vaginectomy;
- 17 “(xviii) vulvoplasty;
- 18 “(xix) reduction thyrochondroplasty;
- 19 “(xx) chondrolaryngoplasty;
- 20 “(xxi) mastectomy;
- 21 “(xxii) tubal ligation;
- 22 “(xxiii) sterilization;
- 23 “(xxiv) any plastic, cosmetic, or aes-
- 24 thetic surgery that feminizes or

1 masculinizes the facial or other physio-
2 logical features of an individual;

3 “(xxv) any placement of chest im-
4 plants to create feminine breasts;

5 “(xxvi) any placement of fat or artifi-
6 cial implants in the gluteal region;

7 “(xxvii) augmentation mammoplasty;

8 “(xxviii) liposuction;

9 “(xxix) lipofilling;

10 “(xxx) voice surgery;

11 “(xxxi) hair reconstruction;

12 “(xxxii) pectoral implants; and

13 “(xxxiii) the removal of any otherwise
14 healthy or non-diseased body part or tis-
15 sue.

16 “(B) EXCEPTIONS.—The term ‘sex-reject-
17 ing procedure’ does not include the following
18 when furnished by a health care professional
19 with the consent of such individual or, if appli-
20 cable, such individual’s parents or legal guard-
21 ian:

22 “(i) Services to individuals born with
23 a medically verifiable disorder of sex devel-
24 opment, including an individual with exter-
25 nal sex characteristics that are irresolvably

1 ambiguous, such as an individual born with
2 46,XX chromosomes with virilization, an
3 individual born with 46,XY chromosomes
4 with undervirilization, or an individual
5 born having both ovarian and testicular
6 tissue.

7 “(ii) Services provided when a physi-
8 cian has otherwise diagnosed a disorder of
9 sex development in which the physician has
10 determined through genetic or biochemical
11 testing that the individual does not have
12 healthy sex chromosome structure, sex
13 steroid hormone production, or sex steroid
14 hormone action for a healthy individual of
15 the same sex and age.

16 “(iii) The treatment of any infection,
17 injury, disease, or disorder that has been
18 caused by or exacerbated by the perform-
19 ance of sex-rejecting procedures, whether
20 or not the sex-rejecting procedure was per-
21 formed in accordance with State and Fed-
22 eral law and whether or not funding for
23 the procedure is permissible under this sec-
24 tion.

1 “(iv) Any procedure undertaken be-
2 cause the individual suffers from a physical
3 disorder, physical injury, or physical illness
4 (but not claimed mental distress) that
5 would, as certified by a physician, place
6 the individual in imminent danger of death
7 or impairment of major bodily function,
8 unless the procedure is performed.

9 “(v) Puberty suppression or blocking
10 prescription drugs for the purpose of nor-
11 malizing puberty for a minor experiencing
12 precocious puberty.

13 “(vi) Male circumcision.”.

14 (2) CLERICAL AMENDMENT.—The table of sec-
15 tions for subchapter B of chapter 100 of the Inter-
16 nal Revenue Code of 1986 is amended by adding at
17 the end the following new item:

“Sec. 9827. Required coverage of items and services to address the harms of
sex-rejecting procedures.”.

18 (d) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by
19 this section shall apply with respect to plan years begin-
20 ning on or after January 1, 2027.