

Lindsay James voted against requiring schools to notify parents if their kid wants to change their gender identity and voted to allow sex change surgeries to be performed on children.

On April 20, 2023, James Voted Against SF 496, Which Required School Staff To Notify Parents If Their Child Asked The School To Affirm A Different Gender Identity, Including By Using A Different Name Or Pronoun. “If a student enrolled in a school district requests an accommodation that is intended to affirm the student's gender identity from a licensed practitioner employed by the school district, including a request that the licensed practitioner address the student using a name or pronoun that is different than the name or pronoun assigned to the student in the school district's registration forms or records, the licensed practitioner shall report the student's request to an administrator employed by the school district, and the administrator shall report the student's request to the student's parent or guardian.” ([SF 496](#), Iowa Legislature, Passed House 57-38; [James Voted Nay](#), 4/19/23)

On March 8th, 2023, James Voted Against A Bill Prohibiting Gender Transition Procedures For Minors. “An Act relating to prohibited activities regarding gender transition procedures relative to minors, and including effective date and applicability provisions. ... Except as otherwise provided in paragraph “c”, a health care professional shall not knowingly engage in or cause any of the following practices to be performed on a minor if the practice is performed for the purpose of attempting to alter the appearance of, or affirm the minor’s perception of, the minor’s gender or sex, if that appearance or perception is inconsistent with the minor’s sex. ... Prescribing or administering gonadotropin-releasing hormone analogues or other synthetic drugs used to stop luteinizing hormone and follicle-stimulating hormone secretion, synthetic antiandrogen drugs used to block the androgen receptor, or any drug to suppress or delay normal puberty. ... Prescribing or administering testosterone, estrogen, or progesterone to a minor in an amount greater than would normally be produced endogenously in a healthy individual of that individual’s age and sex. ... Performing surgeries that sterilize, including castration, vasectomy, hysterectomy, oophorectomy, orchiectomy, and penectomy. ... Performing surgeries that artificially construct tissue with the appearance of genitalia that differs from the individual’s sex, including metoidioplasty, phalloplasty, and vaginoplasty. ... Removing any healthy or nondiseased body part or tissue.” ([SF 538](#), Iowa Legislature, Passed House 58-39; [James Voted Nay](#) 3/8/23)