

# IT'S THE LEGAL DESTRUCTION OF A SOUND SOCIETY

# **STATE OF LOUISIANA**

## SUPPORT

### HB 81

The "Given Name Act" would require school employees to use certain names and pronouns for students unless parents have provided written permission to do otherwise.

## **CONTACT YOUR REPS**

One of the most powerful ways to impact change is through awareness and making your voice heard.

Visit the link below to contact your representatives.

www.mgaleg.maryland.gov/mgawebsite/

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#### THE FACTS DID YOU KNOW?

## According to the NIH, adolescence is an important time for brain development.

The brain finishes developing and maturing in the midto-late 20s. The part of the brain behind the forehead, called the prefrontal cortex, is one of the last parts to mature. This area is responsible for skills like planning, prioritizing, and making good decisions.

#### According to the NIH, brain development is related to social experiences during adolescence.

Changes to the areas of the brain responsible for social processes can lead teens to focus more on peer relationships and social experiences. The emphasis on peer relationships, along with ongoing prefrontal cortex development, might lead teens to take more risks because the social benefits outweigh the possible consequences of a decision.

Source: <u>www.nimh.nih.gov/health/publications/the-teen-</u> <u>brain-7-things-to-know</u>



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