

Senators:

I am here to ask you to vote against House Bill 17-1156, Concerning a Prohibition on Conversion Therapy by a Licensed Mental Health Provider.

This will take away our right to free speech, and take away our rights as parents to provide the best possible care of our children.

This is at least the 3rd year that you have brought up this Bill.

We have a Constitutional Republic form of government. John Adams said, "Our Constitution was made only for a moral and religious people. It is wholly inadequate to the government of any other." We have been losing our religious freedom, because the politically correct politicians have kept us from practicing our faith seven days a week. They seem to think that our faith should be kept on the shelf except for Sundays.

Joseph Stalin, a communist said: "America is like a healthy body and its resistance is threefold: its patriotism its morality and its spiritual life. If we can undermine these three areas, America will collapse from within." It seems that communism is what people supporting this Bill want.

The scientists have never found a homosexual gene or homosexual DNA. Their study of identical twins that have the same DNA and genes should both be homosexual, but they are not. There are many ex-gays, who have given up that lifestyle, but do you know of any ex-blacks, or ex-Hispanics? No they will be black or Hispanic forever, because they are born that way.

How many people who were sexually abused as children, and threatened not to tell anyone suffer from anger and are withdrawn from relationships because of the abuse? It takes about 18 years before they even tell their parents or anyone what happened to them.

Matthew Shepard was abused by three adult males when he was young and a teenager. He in turn molested two eight year olds when he was a teenager and arrested. He was killed by a fellow meth dealer, with whom he was having sex. Congress passed a hate crimes Bill based on the lie that he was killed by a heterosexual.

Since 2007, early syphilis cases have increased almost 300%. In 2010, 92% of these cases were identified in men who were having sex with men. In 2013 Lisa Raville, director of the Harm Reduction Action Center, estimated that it costs \$385,200 to treat one person that has HIV. Please vote "no" on this Bill.

Rosina Kovar, Denver, CO

Homosexuality and the Clergy

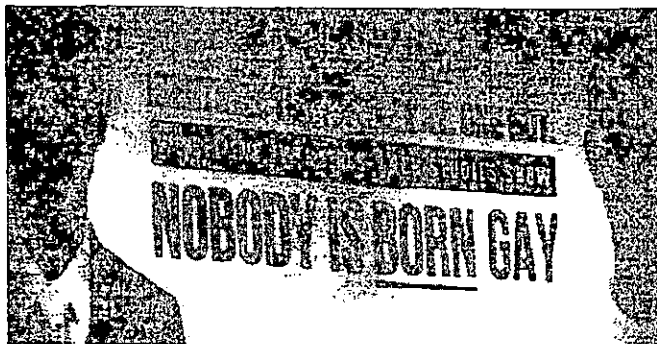


Identical Twin Studies Prove Homosexuality Is Not Genetic

Mark Ellis, M.D.

Eight major studies of identical twins in Australia, the U.S., and Scandinavia during the last two decades all arrive at the same conclusion: "gays" were not born that way.

"At best genetics is a minor factor," says Dr. Neil Whitehead, PhD. Whitehead worked for the New Zealand government as a scientific researcher for 24 years, then spent four years working for the United Nations and International Atomic Energy Agency. Most recently, he serves as a consultant to Japanese universities about the effects of radiation exposure. His PhD is in biochemistry and statistics.



A study of identical twins shows that, despite today's propaganda, no one is born homosexual

sex attraction the chances the co-twin has it are only about 11% for men and 14% for women."

Because identical twins are always genetically identical, homosexuality cannot be genetically dictated. "No-one is born gay," he notes. "The predominant things that create homosexuality in one identical twin and not in the other have to be post-birth factors."

Identical twins have the same genes or DNA. They are nurtured in equal prenatal conditions. If homosexuality is caused by genetics or prenatal conditions and one twin is "gay", the co-twin should also be "gay".

"Because they have identical DNA, it ought to be 100%," Dr. Whitehead notes. But the studies reveal something else.

"If an identical twin has same-

Dr. Whitehead believes same-sex attraction (SSA) is caused by “non-shared factors,” things happening to one twin but not the other, or a personal response to an event by one of the twins and not the other.

For example, one twin might have exposure to pornography or sexual abuse, but not the other. One twin may interpret and respond to their family or classroom environment differently than the other. “These individual and idiosyncratic responses to random events and to common environmental factors predominate,” he says.

The first very large, reliable study of identical twins was conducted in Australia in 1991, followed by a large U.S. study about 1997. Then Australia and the U.S. conducted more twin studies in 2000, followed by several studies in Scandinavia, according to Dr. Whitehead.

“Twin registers are the foundation of modern twin studies. They are now very large, and exist in many countries. A gigantic European twin register with a projected 600,000 members is being organized, but one of the largest in use is in Australia, with more than 25,000 twins on the books.”

A significant twin study among adolescents shows an even weaker genetic correlation. In 2002 Bearman and Brueckner studied tens of thousands of adolescent students in the U.S. The same-sex attraction concordance between identical twins was only 7.7% for males and 5.3% for females – lower than the 11% and 14% in the Australian study by Bailey *et al* conducted in 2000. In the identical twin studies, Dr. Whitehead has been struck by how fluid and changeable sexual identity can be.

“Neutral academic surveys show there is substantial change. About half of the homosexual/bisexual population (in a non-therapeutic environment) moves towards heterosexuality over a lifetime. About 3% of the present heterosexual population once firmly believed themselves to be homosexual or bisexual.”

“Sexual orientation is not set in concrete,” he notes. Even more remarkable, most of the changes occur without counseling or therapy. “These changes are not therapeutically induced, but happen ‘naturally’ in life, some very quickly,” Dr. Whitehead observes. “Most changes in sexual orientation are towards exclusive heterosexuality.”

Numbers of people who have changed towards exclusive heterosexuality are greater than current numbers of bisexuals and homosexuals combined. In other words, ex-“gays” outnumber actual “gays”. The fluidity is even more pronounced among adolescents, as Bearman and Brueckner’s study demonstrated. “They found that



No 'gay' gene is hardwired in the DNA of babies

from 16 to 17-years-old, if a person had a romantic attraction to the same sex, almost all had switched one year later.”

“The authors were pro-‘gay’ and they commented that the only stability was among the heterosexuals, who stayed the same year after year. Adolescents are a special case – generally changing their attractions from year to year.”

Still, many misconceptions persist in the popular culture. Namely, that homosexuality is genetic – so hard-wired into one’s identity that it can’t be changed. “The academics who work in the field are not happy with the portrayals by the media on the subject,” Dr. Whitehead notes. “But they prefer to stick with their academic research and not get involved in the activist side.”

For those who are looking for Dr. Whitehead’s writings on his research, you can find them [here](#).

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CONVERSION THERAPY IS WORTH ANY
THEY BRING TO CHILDREN, PLEASE
D THIS TO A TALL VOTE! OUR
WE ALL DESERVE BETTER!

-C. N.

Conversion therapy should not be
thing in Colorado, our LGBT youth
unity deserves to live a life of
freedom in this our beautiful state
love our youth the way they are and
that's why
Conversion therapy should be banned from CO

Conversion therapy should be
illegal. It is cruel and disgusting
that this is still legal. It
should be considered a crime
to put a child through this
treatment.

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Conversion Therapy could do more
harm than good, as it is not
scientifically proven to work. This
work is not only immoral, but
just simply cruel!

- CV, a Denver native
US citizen

Conversion therapy is not successful and has long term negative effects.

The LGBTQ+ community in Colorado should be able to know that they live in a state where these practices are illegal. You can't change something about someone that isn't changeable.

"No on Conversion Therapy"

I believe in letting people be who they believe and feel they need to be, regardless of sexual preference.

Jack Brown

I can't imagine a world where my mother didn't love me and express it. She was shocked when I told her I was gay, but she accepted me. What kind of broken soul would she have nurtured if instilled she instilled in me the belief that I'm impure for loving another boy? This "therapy" and electroshock would have been damaging for me, my mother and society. Please ban conversion therapy as a service provided by state licensed therapists

I am not the problem, the world has a problem.

I do not need to change the world needs to change

Damage to a child's development cannot

be undone. Ban this practice

I support ending conversion therapy!
Being gay is biological
It's not a choice!
- Sarah Ford, Denver CO

The state should not have its nose in the relations between parent and child and the state should therefore ban conversion therapy.

It should not sanction or condone conversion therapy, directly or implicitly.

By state licensed therapists. These decisions should be navigated by parents and children, not the state, directly or implicitly.

To Thine own self be true,
myself having two
sons I want to be their
supporters. Who they love
is up to them.

Thom Mathias

LGBT kids should be free to follow
their feelings and not be forced to
change what is natural to them.
Either that or treatments for adults
should not be legal because they are
harmful and not proven to do anything
positive.

STATE COMMITTEE
DO NOT SUPPORT CONVERSION
THERAPY AND REPORT THAT IT IS
HARMFUL TO CHILDREN
AND ON SUCH DANGEROUS
ISSUES

Thank you, ~~John~~
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a green center

fully support the ban on
conversion therapy. No

BTO child should

or have to go through
something so horrible.

They were born this way.