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State of Iowa Youth Advisory Council 2016 Legislative Agenda

High School Dropout Age Increase – revise Iowa Code 299.1A to increase Iowa's legal school dropout age from the current 16 to 17 to empower students to stay in school, graduate, and positively change their futures.

Tanning Restrictions for Minors – ban youth under the age of 18 from using tanning facilities that emit ultraviolet radiation, and increase posted warnings about the dangers of tanning throughout the facilities.

Suicide Prevention Training – require teachers to receive suicide prevention and trauma-informed care training to obtain or renew their license.

Conversion Therapy Ban – protect minors in Iowa from mental health practitioners violating a youth's basic human rights by attempting to change their sexuality or gender identity through psychological or physical means.

Human Trafficking – enhance the treatment of human trafficking survivors by providing them with the necessary treatment to live a healthy and safe lifestyle outside the realm of human trafficking, rather than criminalizing them for enduring a horrific act of injustice against their will.

Radon Testing – require mandatory radon testing for all public schools in Iowa every ten years to ensure every child in Iowa is educated in a safe environment.

Sexual Violence Education – implement sexual violence prevention curriculum in Iowa high schools. This curriculum will put into action education pertaining to healthy relationships, sexual consent and sexually transmitted diseases.