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Chairman Aderholt and Ranking Member DeLauro:

As you draft the Fiscal Year (FY) 2026 Labor, Health and Human Services, Education, and Related Agencies Appropriations bill, we respectfully request that you include the following language to prohibit funding for transgender experiments on animals:

None of the funds made available by this or any other Act thereafter may be used for research on vertebrate animals for the purpose of studying the effects of drugs, surgery, or other interventions to alter the human body (including by disrupting the body's development, inhibiting its natural functions, or modifying its appearance) to no longer correspond to its biological sex.

Media reports, investigations conducted by the non-profit White Coat Waste Project, and inquiries by the House Committee on Oversight and Government Reform have uncovered how dozens of National Institutes of Health (NIH) grants issued under the Biden Administration are funding wasteful and disturbing experiments to create “transfeminine” and “transmasculine” lab animals using invasive surgeries and hormone therapies. The transgender animals are then wounded, shocked, injected with street drugs and vaccines, and subjected to other disturbing procedures.

President Trump has personally criticized these experiments on several occasions, and the Department of Government Efficiency has cancelled millions in NIH grants funding transgender animal testing.^{1,2} However, many of these NIH grants funding gender transitions for lab animals are still active.³

We urge you to include the language above in the FY26 Labor, Health and Human Services, Education, and Related Agencies bill to ensure no more taxpayer dollars are wasted to fund transgender animal tests.

Sincerely,

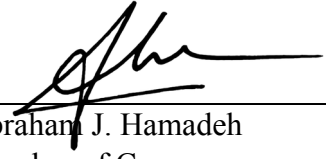
¹ Knudsen, Hannah. (2025, March 17) “Exclusive – White Coat Waste: Trump’s NIH Cuts Grants for Transgender Experiments on Animals.” *Breitbart News*. ([Article](#))

² Heavey, Deirdre. (2025, March 25) “Trump Admin Cuts Additional \$1M in Federal Funding for ‘Transgender Animal’ Experiments.” *Fox News*. ([Article](#))

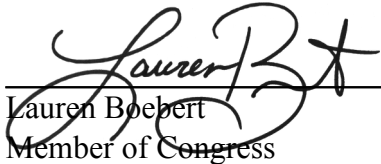
³ MacDonald, Cassandra. (2025, March 15) “Bureaucrats Defy Trump’s Cuts: Nearly 40 Transgender Animal Experiments, \$400M in Tax Dollars, Still Active.” *The Gateway Pundit*. ([Article](#))



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