

To whom it may concern:

In regards to House Bill 3063...

As a mother of a 1 1/2 year old, and another on the way, I beg of you not to pass this bill. My husband is a doctor; we are not uneducated in the area of vaccinations. We are not anti vaccinations. We have chosen to utilize a delayed schedule of vaccinations for our boy. Additionally, my husband and his sister had nearly fatal reactions to the DTAP vaccination as infants. My husband was hospitalized, and almost died. For this reason, we have decided to wait to administer the first in the DTAP series for our son, just so that he is a little older and stronger, should he also have a reaction.

However, I do not have proof or documentation of this incident with my husband. If this bill were to pass, I would have been required to give my son the DTAP vaccination at 2 months of age. Can you confidently say that you are willing to take responsibility if something were to happen to him?

I understand that much of this is being fueled by the recent measles outbreak. Which personally, I feel is an unfair basis for this bill. Anyone with a small amount of medical knowledge will know that the Measles is hardly ever a fatal disease anymore.

Please, if any action is taken, than divert funding towards more education in the area of vaccinations. Spread awareness, utilize facts- but PLEASE do not take away our basic parental rights to choose what is best for our children.

If any of you are parents, than you must know that as a parent, we have so many choices to make. So many life altering decisions to decide for our littles. But regardless, they are and will always be OUR DECISIONS to make. Not the government's, or their Teacher's, or our neighbor down the street... those decisions belong to us parents.

How can you be pro-diversity, but against diverse opinions? We can't expect grow as a country, or as a state, until we start listening to the other side's perceptive.

I beg of you, please do not pass this bill.

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