

I strongly oppose the proposed bill HB3063. The need for medical and religious exemptions to vaccines is well established and I recognize it as essential. Some people react more negatively to the adjuvants--which amount to toxins--in vaccines than others, and they require medical exemptions so as not to suffer serious vaccine injury. Others have religious beliefs that prohibit them from submitting to a medical procedure against their consent which injects human fetal tissue and/or foreign proteins, or intervenes in what they believe to be their God-given natural immune systems and lives. We must respect religious freedom in this country. And we must not treat any medical procedure as one-size-fits-all and neglect the special needs of those who are more susceptible to vaccine injury.

Further, a great deal of scientific study, including by the CDC and NIH themselves, but also around the world and among independent researchers, shows vaccines in general are not as 'safe and effective' as we are being told. Deaths from diseases were in steep decline throughout the 20th century from factors such as water treatment, waste removal, hygiene education and food safety laws before any vaccine was ever introduced. They continued on similar trajectories afterward, except in some cases, such as live polio vaccine, where the deaths from the disease went up slightly. Some diseases, like scarlet fever and typhoid, declined to the currently extremely low levels with no vaccine ever introduced. Recent media hysteria about measles is misleading, since nothing abnormal about the number of measles cases in recent years has been shown

compared to historic numbers, and measles is no longer life-threatening since nutrition, especially Vitamin A levels, have been improved. Contracting and surviving childhood diseases like measles and chicken pox and others confers life-long immunity and now is seen to have other benefits according to virologists and other researchers.

Toxicity in vaccines is well-known, and many vaccine-injured or slain children have had their parents bring claims to the National Vaccine Injury Compensation Program. \$Billions have been paid out in compensation, though it is difficult and slow to qualify for payment in the program. No amount of payment can compensate for the death or life-long maiming of a child from vaccine reactions.

Reject HB3603 and retain and even expand medical and religious exemptions in Oregon.