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Dear Members of the House and Healthcare Committee,

I can only hope that you will listen to the voices of the community about the rights of parents to make informed decisions for their children based on their own knowledge and experience of their child and the evidence available to review and research.

I am writing you to tell you that my oldest child had an adverse reaction to her vaccination booster in the first grade. She was fully vaccinated on a spaced out schedule up until that last vaccination. What came after, was months of stress and hardship for our family. My second child, who is a toddler, is still unvaccinated. I carry a gene (confirmed by genetic testing) that doesn't allow my body to process out toxins like heavy metals, and other typically "normal" toxins we are exposed to environmentally. Due to symptoms my children exhibit, it's likely they too carry this gene mutation. Moreover, it makes vaccinations, as they are currently manufactured, extremely risky for them. I am NOT anti-vaccination. I believe in science. I believe in healthy children. I am, however, skeptical, cautious and weary of the current suggested CDC schedule, ingredient list, and lack of the "gold standard" testing/research/studying of vaccines that every other pharmaceutical goes through before being marketed.

Just like the systems of education and justice, our healthcare is not a one size fits all system. Healthcare is subjective, and what is good, safe and healthy for one person isn't necessarily for the next. I am unwilling to risk the safety and health of my child especially when research shows the efficacy and safety of vaccines is in issue.

I, along with every adult I know (pro-vax and anti-vax alike) have not received the boosters that our children are getting 68 doses of in their childhood (most of which are done in infancy). We don't pose a threat to the community. We aren't passing along the viruses these vaccines are intended for. If we aren't fully vaccinated, and it's not a detriment to society, then why is every child (who has the right to attend school) a threat if they are also unvaccinated?

Please know my husband and I are educated, thoughtful parents both with careers in defending/caring for our community's most marginalized populations. We care deeply about our community and our main priority is our children. Please do not let the bill HB3063 move forward. Children should not be exempt from school because their parents are trying to protect them from what they believe could harm them. I have used all federal government data provided by the CDC and other agencies along with the only medical research we have on vaccines efficacy and safety to aid in my decision for my children. There is plenty of evidence that my unvaccinated child does not pose a hard or threat to the greater community. The following link is

to a legislative letter from **Tetyana Obukhanych, PhD, an immunologist from Harvard.** Please consider reviewing her statement and research she presented in Vermont regarding this same issue that is up for debate today in Oregon.

<http://healthimpactnews.com/2017/harvard-immunologist-to-legislators-unvaccinated-children-pose-zero-risk-to-anyone/?fbclid=IwAR1M9cw6OffgPYKwhfegf8JfHG5A9x9S23kJkaET0UtNU9ptpfrbR8yczRU>

Very Sincerely,

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