

Hello,

I would like to submit my testimony regarding HB 3063. I strongly oppose this bill and will continue to speak to the danger of allowing such a bill to pass.

I believe in the rights of every human to decide what will or will not enter their body, without government punishment.

I immigrated from the Soviet Union with my family back in 1990. We came from a regime of control, which sought to take away the rights of its citizens, based on what they claimed was "best for the common good". I was vaccinated with the handful of vaccines that were considered necessary back then, unlike the over 50 vaccines children must receive these days. We came to the US with the notion that this is the country of the free, those who are free to think and do what they deem right without fear of government retribution. We saw that this country was one that honored its citizen's right to think and act for themselves based on their personally held beliefs.

Fast forward to 2019, almost 30 years later, I am now seeing a state government that is looking to disregard the strongly held beliefs of its citizens and institute across the board mandates regarding what we can choose to put into our bodies. This state is bullying its citizens with lack of access to education. This is what this is, bullying.

I am a trained scientist and worked as a research assistant at the OHSU Neuroscience research facilities. I know how to write and present a scientific paper to a scientific journal and have been published in various science journals. I understand what the structures and processes of different chemicals are. I am trained to read and understand the information presented by researchers. All this training provides me the ability to actually read the articles for myself, not relying on succinct interpretations by obscure bloggers regarding vaccine safety. My background leads me to see that there is a dangerous lack of evidence that proves vaccine safety. I see a lack of true scientific research that would give me peace of mind allowing my children to be injected with substances loaded with foreign DNA materials, preservatives and heavy metal particulates. This is not a simple "shot" with a 1 in a million chance of injury, no, these are biological preparations of a variety of ingredients, which have not been sufficiently studied to be pronounced "safe". I personally know children who have suffered vaccine injury and I have seen the grief and suffering that this simple "shot" has inflicted upon these families.

Please oppose this bill. The ramifications of passing such a mandate would irreversibly impact the lives of many. Taking away the choice of many is not the way to create a healthy state. People have the right to make an informed decision without being bullied by the state.

Thank you.

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