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While it seems that the intention of HB 3630 is to protect children, I believe that it is absolutely unethical and harmful to force an individual to undergo a medical procedure against their (or their parent's, in the case of a child) will. Mandating vaccination goes against everything our great State and Country is supposed to stand for - Freedom. As we saw in 2015 when a similar bill surfaced here in OR, Medical Freedom is something that the majority of Oregonians support and value. I sincerely hope that our Representatives remember that it is their job to represent the desires of the people they represent, and not allow themselves to be swayed by the Pharmaceutical Lobby.

The claim that vaccines are "safe and effective" is extremely troubling. There have not been double-blind placebo-controlled studies on vaccines, nor has the development of this product advanced enough to look at the long-term effects the current CDC recommended schedule has on the health of our children and the role genetics and immunobiology play in their safety.

Sadly, today's children are the sickest generation this country has seen.

Asthma, [food allergies](#), [autism](#), learning disabilities, developmental delays, [sensory processing disorders](#), and autoimmune conditions are all on the rise. It seems impossible that it's merely a "coincidence" that our children's health has declined as the number of recommended vaccines has increased in recent years.

We do not yet know the precise reason certain individuals are susceptible to vaccine injury, but to say vaccine injury doesn't occur is incorrect. Thousands of injuries are reported every year.

Yet the pharmaceutical companies cannot be held liable for these injuries! Where is the justice in that? What other industry is exempt from litigation when things go wrong?

Furthermore, **this bill (HB-3063) is discriminatory and deprives children of their right to an education.**

The parents of children who vaccinate on an alternative schedule or not at all are well educated and informed and are quite convicted in their decision. These people are not going to change their minds if this bill becomes law and take their kids to the doctor to get "up to date" on shots.

Rather, these families will move out of the state and Oregon schools will lose money.

We can look to California for an example of this predicament: after [California passed a law to mandate vaccines](#) for entry into school (SB-277), hundreds of thousands of families left.

Many California families who opposed medical mandates came to Oregon

What this translates to, in our state where the public-school system is already underfunded and underperforming, is a **loss of \$400,000,000+ annually**, as there are more than 31,000 exemptions on file, with each student estimated to cost \$13k ([source](#)).

Children who are unvaccinated make up a tiny fraction of school-aged children in Oregon. They pose no threat to vaccinated children or to herd immunity. I encourage you to focus your desire to protect kids in a different fashion: demand true vaccination safety studies, make manufacturers liable, and take big Pharma lobbyists out of the government!