

February 11, 2020

Re: HB 2601

Dear Chairman Heubert,

This letter is simply one to show my support for freedom of medical procedures and to briefly explain why I believe vaccines particularly should not be mandated.

First of all, freedom of medical procedures is a God given gift, as each person has the right to give permission what goes in or gets taken out of their body. As a parent, I am responsible for my children's health and wellness. I feel safe that I have the option to, for example, permit the doctor to perform surgery on my children or not. If medical freedom is taken away in the form of vaccines, I can only imagine that other forms of medical freedom will be soon usurped by the government. This is cause for great concern.

Second of all, the topic of vaccine safety has been a growing one recently, and for good reason. Families desire to keep their children safe, similarly so do the CDC and health personnel. For this reason, we support safe, but effective health practices. Safe and healthy medical procedures are not the same for everyone, therefore, a mandate would prove to be ineffective in the CDC's desire to keep children safe in the form of vaccines presently. I know enough testimonies to understand that vaccines in their current state are not safe enough to be used by all.

Thank you,
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