## WRITTEN TESTIMONY ONLY

Proponent of HB 2498 February 17, 2022

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Madam Chair Landwehr and the House Committee on Health and Human Services:

I am a proponent of HB 2498. The COVID-19 vaccine should not be mandated for children to go to school or daycare. Parental rights regarding their children need to be honored; First Amendment to the U.S. Constitution: "Congress shall make no law respecting an establishment of religion, or prohibiting the free exercise thereof." We need to protect children against unconstitutional and medically irresponsible COVID-19 vaccine mandates due to their relatively low risk of hospitalization and/or death as well as growing concerns over clinical testing with child subjects:

https://www.cdc.gov/nchs/nvss/vsrr/covid\_weekly/index.htm#SexAndAge https://openvaers.com/covid-data/myo-pericarditis --- Mandatory vaccination has no place in a free society. **Non-derogable rights,** as stated in Article 58 of The Siracusa Principles on the Limitation and Derogation Provisions in the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights (1958) (pdf), apply under all circumstances, even under threat of "national security"

Please safeguard basic human rights, constitutional rights and parental rights.

Sincerely, Elizabeth Groff

"Science without conscience is the soul's perdition" – Rabelais

