

Dear Representatives,

I am writing to encourage you to reconsider Bill 248, the real bill that protects all Ohioans rather than Bill 435. I see 435 as a wolf in sheep's clothing.

435 tramples our rights.

248 protects the rights of workers in the workplace, which protects our healthcare workers. Hospitals are losing staff due to the vaccine requirement, which is compromising healthcare for ALL of us.

The fact that so many healthcare workers are leaving their profession rather than get this shot should be a warning.

248 protects the rights of businesses and their workers, which provides all of us with shopping options. Amazon buying doesn't do much to help our economy, but our locally owned businesses do.

As a longtime vegan, I care deeply about what goes into my body, and have that right. So do all Ohioans, based on their own belief systems.

Medical decisions must remain in the hands of the individual and their doctor. Not those governing us, few of whom have a medical background. (Note that the only member of the health committee with a medical background was discharged.)

Please, consider the rights of ALL Ohioans, and our FREEDOMS to make these choices for ourselves.

Bring back HB 248 rather than this rushed, ill-considered (but heavily lobbyist supported) bill. Work for the People of our great state. Halt the overreach of the federal government, and do not perpetuate it at the state level.

Thank you.

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