

Dear Chairman Lipps, Vice Chair Holmes, Ranking Member Russo, and Members of the House Health Committee

Thank you for the opportunity to provide proponent testimony on House Bill 248.

My name is Laura Stover and I am a licensed social worker. I am currently working two jobs assisting the elderly/disabled and a case manager at an inpatient rehab hospital. I am writing to let you know that I support the House Bill 248. The reason I support House Bill 248 is because I do not want my jobs to be in jeopardy if I choose to abstain from getting the vaccine. As a social worker I often advocate for others and this bill will keep in tact the freedoms of the people for which I serve in the community.

I believe as a Social Worker the freedom to choose without discrimination is imperative to the people for which I serve on a daily basis. I am on the ground floor of those in the community and in touch with the needs and desires of the people and this bill will make it possible for many to maintain their freedom of choice that they and I desire to have.

Thank you once again for this opportunity to provide testimony on the need for and urgency of House Bill 248.

Sincerely,

Laura Stover