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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 Sharon Stith and I am a Financial Administrator with the University of Cincinnati, a wife and mother of four (4) children. The reason I support House Bill 248 is because I find it very un-American to require a vaccine, especially an investigational agent. It is not patriotic, it's unconstitutional and it has never happened before in America. The decision to take any drug or vaccine should be between a doctor and his/her patient, not a decision to be made by the government nor should anyone be coerced into taking any drug or vaccine. Vaccine mandates or passports violate the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act, the EUA, and the Nuremberg Code.

The data in The Vaccine Adverse Event Reporting System (VAERS) is very concerning. Today, June 2, 2021, there have been more than 4,500 deaths and more than 4,818 life threatening events reported with these vaccines and from what I understand this is grossly underreported since this is voluntary reporting and many people are unaware of VAERS, as I was prior to the COVID vaccines. We do not know the long term side effects of these vaccines. There has not been a good history of vaccine development for SARS-CoV after years of trying. How did we all of a sudden end up with so many so quickly and at the same time? A University of Texas study of previous SARS-CoV vaccines concluded, "These SARS-CoV vaccines all induced antibody and protection against infection with SARS-CoV. However, challenge of mice given any of the vaccines led to occurrence of Th2-type immunopathology suggesting hypersensitivity to SARS-CoV components was induced. Caution in proceeding to application of a SARS-CoV vaccine in humans is indicated."

<https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pmc/articles/PMC3335060/pdf/pone.0035421.pdf>

I do not believe the current vaccines have data to suggest these vaccines have overcome this problem.

We now know we have alternate, safer, proven medications to treat SARS-CoV-2 virus such as, ivermectin (American Journal of Therapeutics – Review of the Emerging Evidence Demonstrating the Efficacy of Ivermectin in the Prophylaxis and Treatment of COVID-19 / [https://journals.lww.com/americantherapeutics/fulltext/2021/06000/review\\_of\\_the\\_emerging\\_evidence\\_demonstrating\\_the.4.aspx](https://journals.lww.com/americantherapeutics/fulltext/2021/06000/review_of_the_emerging_evidence_demonstrating_the.4.aspx)) and hydroxychloroquine (American Medical Association House of Delegates, Resolution 509, pages 16-21 / <https://www.ama-assn.org/system/files/2020-10/nov20-handbook-addendum.pdf>).

Doctors should be able to make the decision on the best way to treat his/her patient. According to The American Medical Association policy H-120.988, “Our AMA confirms its strong support for the autonomous clinical decision-making authority of a physician and that a physician may lawfully use an FDA approved drug product or medical device for an off-label indication when such use is based upon sound scientific evidence or sound medical opinion; and affirms the position that, when the prescription of a drug or use of a device represents safe and effective therapy...”(<https://policysearch.ama-assn.org/policyfinder/detail/Patient%20Access%20to%20Treatments%20Prescribed%20by%20Their%20Physicians%20H-120.988?uri=%2FAMADoc%2FHOD.xml-0-201.xml>)

I am very concerned with vaccine mandates or passports. There have been too many adverse reactions that we are not allowed to discuss. When someone dies or has an adverse reaction from one of the COVID-19 vaccines, we are told, “there is no evidence that it was caused by the vaccine.” I think mandatory vaccines and vaccine passports are getting into very dangerous territory, violating our medical privacy and I hope Ohio passes House Bill 248.

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

Sincerely,  
Sharon Stith