

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 Mary Trainor, and I am a stay at home mom, the mother of a new nurse. The reason I support House Bill 248 is because it is wrong that my daughter has been forced to get a flu vaccine, which often makes her ill, every year since she started nursing school, and I am fearful that she will be mandated to receive a vaccine for which safety studies have not even been completed. All three Covid-19 vaccines currently in use have in fact been implicated in causing blood clots, an issue of particular concern, as my daughter has a history of blood clots. I also have two younger children, one quickly approaching college age, who should not be forced to get a vaccine, or to forgo higher education if they don't.

Our medical decisions are no one else's business, but vaccine mandates make our decisions everyone else's business. Mandated medical interventions are never a good idea.

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

Sincerely,

Mary Trainor