

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 Rachel Cain and I am a homeschooling mom and part-time tutor.

The reason I support House Bill 248 is because I, as well as many people I know, have personally been negatively affected by vaccines, and I believe that they should not be mandated in any way, shape, or form. In this ever-changing world, it is especially necessary to maintain the freedom of autonomy for people to choose for themselves and their children about what they put into their bodies (especially including medical treatments such as vaccines). I've had several vaccine reactions that were severe enough to cause my mother, who had complete trust in doctors and medicine, to question the effects of them and adapt my vaccine schedule. I believe I am still living with some negative side effects of those vaccines today. The mantra "my body, my choice" must be applied to freedom of choice in medical treatments as well, without repercussions in society or workplaces. I know many families personally who have had children injured by vaccines. Where there is a risk, there must be a choice. Please protect our freedoms.

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

Sincerely,

Rachel Cain

