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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 Chloe Evans, I am a hospital patient care technician/senior nursing student, and I am in support of House Bill 248 for a variety of reasons. Primarily, as a young and healthy twenty-year-old female the mandate of a vaccine that has been on the market for less than a year and has unknown long-term effects is unnerving. Although there is insistence from “independent research companies” that the Covid vaccines are safe, no long-term data is available; therefore, the possibility of unforeseen side effects of the vaccine ten years in the future are a real possibility. As seen in years past, there can be extremely detrimental side effects of new medical advances; for example, in the 1950’s a new drug called Thalidomide caused serious birth defects. Another example being the 20-30% increased risk for breast cancer and an even high risk of cervical cancer for women who have used oral contraceptives over several years. Long term data is crucial, especially when it comes to mandating vaccines for healthy up and coming workers, such as myself. Thank you again for the opportunity to provide testimony House Bill 248.

Sincerely,  
Chloe Evans