

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 Christy Jaynes and I am a stay-at-home mother of 4 and wife to an Ohio teacher of 18 years. We are also parents to a vaccine injured child, which is why I had to resign from my career of 15 years to stay home and care for our son. We have numerous friends and family members who are in the medical field that are very concerned about the current covid vaccine mandates sweeping across our state. We are fully expecting these mandates to trickle down to public school teachers, like my husband. Vaccines have already catastrophically effected our family after leaving our son brain damaged, and here we are again with vaccines negatively impacting our family by threatening my husband's livelihood and our future. We cannot and will not comply, for if we do, we are passing this fight down to our children, and they deserve better. Where will this leave our family who has already been left to survive on one income after our child became a victim to vaccine injury? We cannot survive without my husband's income and medical benefits that are much needed for our children, especially our special needs son. Our state has become unrecognizable and I truly lose sleep at night worrying about what will become of our family.

My husband always says "what you permit, you promote". What is this health committee permitting and promoting in Ohio? I implore you to vote YES on HB248 and stop permitting and promoting coercion, discrimination, and segregation.

Thank You,

Christy Jaynes