

*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 Bill Davis and I am retiree with my wife, three adult children and 6 grandchildren living in the same region of the great state of Ohio. This legislation will have significant impact on my entire family and I am requesting you to vote in favor of HB248. I strongly believe that the decision to take medication in any form into one's own body is a decision that should be made by an individual without coercion or threat of discrimination. After receiving complete information of the individual and societal risks and benefits of a vaccine from a qualified doctor, each individual, based on sound medical advice, has the right to decide whether or not to take a vaccination into their body without a fear of personal repercussions. HB248 will protect my family's right to health freedom and privacy. Without HB248 Ohioans become acutely vulnerable to authoritarian and unjustifiable demands or discrimination by businesses, schools, and other institutions without any legal recourse to prevent it.*

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

*Sincerely,*

*William F. Davis*