

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 Richard Wood and I am a father and the reason I support House Bill 248 is because I believe in freedom and civil rights which includes medical freedom and privacy. If businesses are allowed to ask about covid vaccination status that would amount to discrimination. For example they don't ask about whether one has had a flu vaccine or any other vaccines nor if one has any other infectious diseases nor any other medical-related issues – and they should never be allowed to inquire about that – so why is it different with covid?

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

Sincerely,

Richard Wood