

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 Sarah Bowling and I am a stay at home mom. I support House Bill 248 because I believe God gave each individual the right and responsibility to make their own medical decisions. I believe God gave parents (and no one else) the authority and responsibility to make medical decisions for their children. While I think there may be some who genuinely believe that mandating certain medical procedures is what is best for everybody I also think that there are just as many who will take this path than many of the mandate's proponents ever intended and I do not want to start down that path. Regardless of what stance anyone takes on the safety and efficacy of the vaccine, the choice to take it or not should rest on the individual without the fear of repercussions such as job loss.

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

Sincerely,

Sarah Bowling