

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 Ben Kessler and I am a father and a military veteran and the reason I support House Bill 248 is because I believe in medical freedom and the freedom of choice. In my military career in the United States Air Force, I have fought for our constitutional rights. Every American and individual deserve the freedom to make their own medical decisions. No one should be mandated, coerced, or discriminated against for their medical decisions, personal beliefs, or religious beliefs. Every individual has the right to decide on what goes into their body or their children's bodies. One's health history, religious beliefs, and vaccination status have no bearing on their ability to work, attend school, or to eat in a restaurant. Mandating a vaccine, medical procedure, and or vaccine passport violates our constitutional rights and creates discrimination in our communities and within our state. Please support House Bill 248 to protect the freedom of choice and our god given rights.

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

Sincerely,

Ben Kessler