To:

Chairman Cutrona, Vice Chair Gross, Ranking Member Somani, and members of the Health Provider Services Committee, thank you for allowing me to provide support testimony for HB 319; "The Conscientious Right to Refuse."

It should be up to me what drugs or vaccines are allowed into my body. No vaccine or drug that violates my religion or conscience should be forced on me or anyone in my family at any time. I should have a choice to decline as an Ohioan and an American citizen without facing discriminatory action at any time during my lifetime, especially during any future pandemic. I feel very strongly about this.

My daughter was coerced into taking a vaccine when she was 21 years old. She experienced a horrific reaction that has changed her life completely. I have been her caregiver for the past 16 years. She was disabled by the "new" vaccine. No one should ever be coerced or forced into taking any vaccine at any time.

Also, my elderly father was given a drug during the end of the "pandemic" against my request. I was his POA. I wasn't given access to my father after he was moved from the emergency room of a hospital, for three days. I had requested that he not receive the protocol drugs for Covid as his renal and heart condition would not handle them. After being allowed to see him my family realized something was very wrong. A few days later, my father was moved to hospice. I had made it clear that my dad should never receive the drug he was given. When I received his hospital records I read that he had been administered the drug I had declined for him. As a result my father passed away.

Both of these instances should have never happened. In Ohio and in the United States, we are supposed to have conscientious and/or religious right to refuse any drug or treatment. Medical over-reach has caused irreversible damage to my family. This incomprehensible harm should never have happened.

It is time to make sure that our freedoms are completely protected at the state level. We need a strong conscientious right to refuse these types of drugs and treatments.

I urge the committee members to please vote yes on HB 319.

Thank you for your time.

Respectfully,

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