

*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 Christy M. Baldwin and I am a nurse at an Assisted Living facility in Cincinnati Ohio and the reason I support House Bill 248 is because it's a scary thought that my job could require any vaccine for me to continue employment. They've already started to do this with the influenza vaccine and make it extremely difficult to not take it, even if you have a religious or medical reason not to. As Ohioans and Americans, we should have freedom of choice when it comes to what we inject in our bodies. It's terrifying to think that we might have to make the choice between our livelihoods or doing something we feel goes against our religious beliefs.*

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

*Sincerely,*

*Christy M. Baldwin*