

My name is Destiny Cotterman and I am a mother to 2 children. I'm fortunate to be able to stay home with them, for now, homeschooling them based in nature. My fiancé works construction, grading and laying underground utilities/pipes for many of the surrounding cities developments and subdivisions. I want to express my full support of House Bill 248 for several reasons.

Many people have different religious, philosophical and other beliefs... Every one of those people has, or should have, the right to make their own decisions regarding those things. Each one of them have a right to make their own medical decisions, to choose something or decline it, and to be in control of what happens to their own bodies. No one should EVER be discriminated against due to these beliefs. As a country, we ought to know, based on history, what happens when we start to discriminate against a certain group of people.

It is immoral and seemingly unethical for any place or person to make it their business whether or not another person has taken a medical procedure. Vaccine manufacturers are not able to be held liable. You will never hear of the damage that it can cause admittedly from them or the media, where the damage is often labeled a "coincidence", however where there is risk, there must be CHOICE, and the choice to decide for YOURSELF whether or not you want to inject something into YOUR BODY, should not come with punishment or discrimination, either.

I don't make other peoples race, religion, or medical issues, my business. If I were a business, that would be discrimination. How could it be legal for one fellow human to tell someone they cannot work, will lose their job, cannot go to a school, cannot travel, cannot board a plane or public transportation, because they haven't taken a vaccine?

Ours and our children's privacy and medical information is ours and their business only. It saddens me as well as baffles me that this bill has to be passed. I know so many people are for it. I can only hope they were informed how to submit a testimony here so that they are heard. Their medical freedom is just as important as their freedom to believe in God if they so please and I so hope that we do not head down this destructive path of discrimination. It is surely one that would not end.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,
Destiny Cotterman