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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 Dustin Barton, and I am a private business owner and the primary homeschool teacher for my 7 year old daughter. Ohioans need House Bill 248 to pass to protect them from the unconstitutional requirement of receiving a vaccine(s) for eligibility to participate in a free society.

I work with mostly middle-to-late aged individuals and my job is to help them assess the health risks associated with their daily life decisions so that they may live more intentionally and experience better health. Whether or not an individual needs and therefore should or should not engage in an irreversible immunotherapy intervention is a decision to be made by that individual and whomever he or she chooses to confer with regarding such matters. Individuals are the ones who assume the known and unknown health risks associated with vaccine administration and side-effects. The known side effects of approved vaccines and their rates of incidence are outlined on the CDC website. This information is made available to the public so that they may assess their own risks and make informed health decisions. To require that a free person contradict their own choice to not engage in a vaccine program just so that that person may participate in basic societal functions is unreasonable and irresponsible.

We want vaccinated Ohioans to represent a population of people who made informed health decisions and House Bill 248 protects that possibility. Life is full of risks and every individual has their own unique advantages/disadvantages to take charge of.

Thank you again for the opportunity to provide proponent testimony for House Bill 248.

Sincerely,

Dustin Barton