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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 Heather Falzone and I am IT Professional. The the reason I support Ohio House Bill 248 (The Vaccine Choice & Anti-Discriminations Act) is because we live in America, the land of the free. Our government was elected to support and defend us according to the Constitution and the Bill of Rights. Being in the IT profession, I have seen the evolution of personal information exchange and the the attempt to ensure privacy. HIPAA laws and guidance have helped a great deal. I foresee the erosion of this great work as some evil doers attempt to unravel our privacy in an attempt to control the public with coercion, discrimination, and denial of public services.

While some public servants seem to have good intent, we must stop the freight train of government overreach before it gets out of control. There must be no loop holes. Americans have the right to choose whether or not to seek medical treatment of any kind without fear of retribution or denial of basic services. It has already begun, K-12 schools, colleges and universities trying to deny students an education unless they submit. Employees are being fired, or not hired unless they submit. Travelers are denied or detained from travel on cruises, planes, and trains unless they submit. We are one people and we will stand up against this tyranny. Please do your part to protect us from those to are trying to infringe upon our unalienable rights.

Thank you once again for this opportunity to provide testimony on the need for and urgency of House Bill 248. Preserve our rights as you promised when you recited your Oath of Office.

Sincerely,

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