

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 Andrea Keller and I am my twenty-five year old son Samuel's full time caregiver. Sam was injured as an infant by his 12 month vaccines. At that time he completely regressed in development and started having continuous infections, gut problems, developed allergies, became a picky eater, developed sleep problems and more. It was horrific to witness. At the age of twenty-one he started having tonic clonic seizures (previously known as Grand mal). I thought life was challenging before seizures I had no idea how challenging things would get. Sam is non verbal and he requires 24/7 care for life. Sam was diagnosed with autism at the age of two. His regression was so dramatic I immediately sought answers. I had to give up a career in education to direct his home therapy, drive him to all his hospital based therapies and his doctor's appointments as he was always sick. Meeting his needs was a full time job. An unpaid job, so that left my husband as the sole bread winner of the family. On top of usual expenses raising a family we had very expensive financial responsibilities with Sam. It has not been easy.

No one in this family will ever get another vaccine again. We can't afford to take the risk. My husband must be able to continue to provide for us. I must continue to care for Sam.

I'm sure you are aware of the VACCINE ADVERSE EVENTS REPORTING SYSTEM (VAERS). A system where people can report adverse reactions to vaccines. There have been one million reports submitted since mid May. They received more reports in the first four months of 2021 than they have received in the system's 30 plus year existence. That is alarming. The media says you can't trust anecdotal reports. But, our Governor stood at his podium week after week telling us anecdotal stories of community spread of covid to fearmonger and no one seemed to have a problem with those anecdotes.

Vaccine injury is real and not rare. It's rarely reported as VAERS is a passive reporting system. Doctors are supposed to be obligated to report, but many are too cowardly to do so as the medical professionals that do report usually become the target of state medical boards. It's a sad reality. No one wants to believe something that is supposed to "save lives" is actually destroying them.

People need to have the ability to make their own decisions on what is best for themselves and their families. If we can't decide what we want to put in our own bodies what is the point of anything? We will just be slaves to the government who is doing the pharmaceutical companies dirty work. By the way, Pfizer and Johnson & Johnson have paid BILLIONS in settlements for fraudulent marketing. Moderna has never brought a product to market yet we are supposed to trust their products are safe and they are telling the truth about them.

Which reminds me to mention these manufacturers are exempt from liability because these products have been approved for Emergency Use in this scam. If something goes wrong they can't be sued. Everyone who partakes in this experiment is doing so with very little knowledge about what happens if something does go wrong and they are injured or killed. The program is called the Countermeasures Injury Compensation Program and it has rarely been utilized and it is definitely not victim friendly. I hope

you will focus on this and realize what people are unknowingly agreeing to and how financially devastating it will be for families. I've never once heard our Governor mention it.

I would love to be able to speak to you in person, but written testimony is the best I can do as my responsibilities with my son do not allow to just hop in the car and do what I want. The lockdowns have been horrible for my family especially my son. His small world got a lot smaller and not being able to go places like he used to was hard. We also didn't make him wear a face prop since he is disabled and it impairs our ability to communicate. But no one really seemed to care about honoring exemptions and that's on our Governor for making the useless mask such a big issue.

I hope you will keep my testimony in mind as you move forward on this. No forced vaccines and no discrimination.

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

Sincerely,

Andrea Keller