

Dear Chairman Lipps,

Hello. My name is Paulette Matthews and I am a Frontline Nurse, RN-MSN, APRN, CRNA (Nurse Anesthetist) with over 30 years in hospital setting healthcare. My husband and I are also parents of 2 school aged children here in Ohio.

I am contacting you today to Urge Your SUPPORT of sub HB 248 Vaccine Choice & Anti-Discrimination Act.

As a healthcare worker and strong patient advocate I firmly believe it is ones OWN personal right to make medical decisions for their own body and their children based on thorough Informed Consent and Privacy with Freedom of Coercion and Discrimination from any Government, Employer, Church or School System.

Vaccine Passports have historically Never been needed in American Society as they would promote Bullying, Coercion, Segregation and Racism.

Yet, Here We Are Today!

Mandates have been lifted for some but not all. Employers (I am witness to this) have passed down 'hush' orders that no employee may share information -even in the light of informed consent -that counters the 'official' rhetoric. Since January 2021, employees in local schools have been coerced into taking a shot in exchange of keeping their jobs. I am personally aware of this with a teacher and school volunteer. I am also aware of a prominent private high school in my area who has required each student to reveal their vaccination status on a public list in that institution with undisclosed reasoning to the students.

Last week the CDC declared 10,000 new cases of virus in those fully vaccinated coupled with VAERS - gov't reporting- claiming a 4100 vaccine death count and 160,000 reported injuries since Jan 2021. This info must not be censored from public view so that individuals can make vaccine choices for themselves. This is not trivial data. Any employer allowed to coerce or mandate vaccines and passports may likely lose a large part of their workforce - including hospital frontline workers.

PLEASE Prevent Vaccine Passports, Prevent Mandatory Vaccine.

Protect Ohioans Rights of choice for self and children.

Protect from Discrimination, Protect Health Choice without Penalty.

Thank You for the Opportunity to provide testimony on the Need and Urgency of SUB HB 248.

Respectfully,

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