

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 April Lewis and I am a wife and mother of three young children. The reason I support House Bill 248 is because I am committed to protecting my right to make medical decisions for myself and my family.

The Citizens of Ohio have been subjected to many unlawful mandates, lockdowns and closures. Now we are seeing private companies mandating experimental vaccines to their employees.

My husband is an analyst with a home office. His employer notified him two weeks ago that he will be terminated if he does not take the experimental covid 19 shot, which he neither needs nor wants. Their "justification?" Because the CDC says so. The CDC is not elected. They do not make law. Their opinion does not allow companies and governments to disregard medical discrimination laws and individuals' rights to bodily autonomy.

The people of Ohio need protection from corporations and any other party who would take the illegal action of mandating vaccines. All Spring, the People pleaded with this legislation to vote Yes on HB 248, which would protect our right to choose what's best for ourselves and our families. Instead of bringing the bill out of committee for a vote, our representatives shirked their duty saw fit to take their summer break. This is unacceptable. When the people of Ohio speak, it is your duty listen. We are speaking again and we are demanding that you pass House Bill 248 and ban the ability of any company, school, private business, or otherwise who does business or operations in Ohio to be able to mandate a vaccine. This is a direct violation of our constitutional rights, specifically Amendments 9 and 10. No government or corporation has the right to declare themselves conservator over our bodies. Medical freedom is an essential right! If we do not have sovereignty over our own bodies, we are effectively slaves.

I urge you to bring forward HB 248 for a vote, immediately. We have had enough hearings. You were elected to protect the Constitution and the citizens of Ohio. Please do not fail the people when we need you the most.

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

Sincerely,

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