

Re: Written Testimony only

Chairman Lipps, Vice Chair Holmes, Ranking Member Russo, and members of the House Health Committee,

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

My name is ERIN O'NEILL and I am a remote Sr. Web Designer at a renowned hospital system in Ohio. I have worked for 12 years in my position at this hospital. In all my years of working, my health decisions have ALWAYS been MY choice and my personal business. This is a part of HIPAA.

When it came to this vaccine, never in my lifetime have I encountered so many violating questions/belittling regarding my health decisions and information.

Not only do we need to defer back to normalcy, HIPAA and respecting others privacy, but we also need to get a grip on the fact that this is NOT FDA approved. There is zero liability on these big pharma companies if my health goes into a tailspin from taking the vaccine. There is 90-something percent survival rate so I will take my chances.

There is no point in taking a vaccine that is underway when we are still trying to comprehend the initial virus and have yet to fully understand variants. Much like the flu, another virus, this will never go away and we need to accept that. Forcing people into compliance is not the answer and makes for a very alarming, precedent to set. "Your body is not yours to take ownership of" is a terrifying concept to think about. What happened to "NO means no!"?

I personally contracted COVID-19 last fall. I consider that my natural inoculation and should not be made to take a synthetic vaccine where we do not fully understand the long-term repercussions.

All of the above are reasons I support House Bill 248.

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

Sincerely,

ERIN O'NEILL