

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 Jennifer Volz and I am full time mother and wife, and part-time paraprofessional at our local school. I support House Bill 248 because no one that is in their sound body and mind should be forced, or discriminated against to inject themselves with ANY kind of vaccine or medication to keep a job, be treated by medical professionals, or go to the college they dreamed of attending.

On average about 98.2% of known Covid-19 patients in the US survive. It is not up to the government, hospitals, or businesses to force this upon anyone. The survival rate is GREAT! Why in the world do we need to play GOD and inject people with an experimental drug that does not have any long term data to back up its findings?

Why is no one mentioning side effects of the virus are the same as the 'vaccine'? Why are these side effects and death of vaccinated people not being talked about? Why are we not considering the side effects of unvaccinated people around vaccinated? Why did my doctor run all kinds of tests and tell me there was a possibility of cancer and now won't return my calls? Why are we only hearing the side effects of the virus and not the vaccine? Why are we not being told ALL the science? If my son turned in a science fair project and flip flopped on his findings like what is happening, when he presented, he would have flunked.

These are things we should be able to consider when we decide for ourselves if we are willing to take those risks. No one should be able to dictate to me, my husband, my sons, or my neighbors. The government and places of employment have never cared about my health before. Why now? Why are my sons being forced to get a flu shot this year at their college? The flu was nonexistent last year, according to the CDC. Why are we being told there are limited exemptions being given this year? We the people, feel we are being lied to and manipulated.

Bottom line, this vaccine needs more time to be followed and developed. It is not ready, with all the information that is surfacing.

We live in the greatest country in the world and that is being taken away by a virus with a 98.2% survival rate. We are being threatened with vaccine passports to get groceries, a cup of coffee, medical treatments, to travel, and keep our jobs or continue education. We are being told we have to wear masks and sit in certain sections, because we are unvaccinated. What happened to All in this Together? That was Governor DeWine's motto right? Now he is forcing us to hate on each other. He is pushing us to take sides and divide our great state of Ohio. This has to stop.

NO medical mandates, NO discrimination. We are land of the FREE. Please do not take away our freedoms to choose our own medical decisions.

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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