

My name is Karen Simonds and I am a 75 y/o retired Special Education teacher and the reason I support HB248 is for myself to continue to have the freedom of medical choices but more passionately for my own children, Grandchildren, & my soon to be Great Granddaughter.

My main concern and complete disbelief is what's happening to my 8 y/o Grandson. My Grandson (his parents) have been verbally told by his Physician/s he will be denied a life-saving procedure of a kidney transplant if his parents do not 1.)COV-19 vaccinate him once approved for his age group and 2.) his father, my son-n-law will also need to get the COV-19 shot before donating his kidney. Both my Grandson and son-n-law have been approved for the last 4 years--my Grandson is approved for a pre-emptive transplant and my son-n-law to be his living donor. There has been no changes to their health conditions year to year since first approval. Never in my 75 years have I ever imagined this would be happening. Everyone should have the choice to decide whether they want to take a shot or not-- especially when this shot is STILL experimental and from my own research it has caused death and adverse reactions to thousands of Americans.

In addition, my 14 year old Grandson was injured as a preschooler from his many vaccinations that he was so-called "required" to get for school. My Grandson has suffered many years of therapy for autism and ADHD. His parents have finally found an alternative physician who is detoxing his system and after 14 years the toxins that have done damage causing his autism/ADHD symptoms are starting to leave his system. My daughter was smart and reported these adverse reactions many years ago but never received any type of contact from the CDC or compensation for my grandson's condition--they have taken all the financial burden on themselves.

Please vote yes to pass this extremely important Bill. HB248 will save many lives and will bring Ohio as a front runner for Medical Freedom.

Thank you for your time.

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