

To: Chairman Lipps

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Re: HB 248

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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.

I am a Physical Therapist, business owner, mom and step-mom. Through clinical rotations, work assignments and life, I have spent time in Columbus, Cleveland, Cincinnati, Lima, Norwalk, and Huron. Part of those work assignments included time at the Children's Hospitals in Cincinnati and Columbus.

I am writing because I have seen the devastating effects of vaccines gone wrong. In the most glaring instance, a perfectly formed neonate was given one of the childhood immunizations. Sadly, the nurse made an honest mistake and failed to shake the vial prior to drawing the liquid. The mercury used as the preservative settled to the bottom of the vial, and was drawn exclusively instead of being part of a mixture.

Resultantly, this child was blasted with a neurotoxin at levels exponentially above what is considered safe/allowable. The results were immediate. This beautiful child was instantly turned deaf, blind, mute and wheelchair bound.

Truthfully, one could say this is human error and not find fault with the manufacturer of the vaccine. However, this is my point – as humans, we are fallible. At any point in the path of a vaccine from manufacture to being administered, there are chances (and occurrences) of failure.

People should absolutely be entitled to assess risks vs. benefits, and make their own healthcare choices – not government. This is America, is it not? The land of the free, or is it? Allowing government to make healthcare choices is inherently wrong, and becomes a dangerous precedent.

Please know that constituents are watching this vote. The large majority of Ohioans are in support of this bill. Your vote is essential!

I implore you to vote for HB248, lest we all become victims of medical procedures against our will.

Respectfully submitted,

Kristin Allen