

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 Robin Crilow and I am the mother of three daughters and a Registered Nurse of 26 years. My family and I support House Bill 248 as I feel it protects us and our individual rights of free choice to not be mandated or be discriminated against in our work, school and life in general for not taking the covid vaccine.

I have worked throughout the pandemic and have witnessed and questioned my hospital system, media, peers, doctors and society. At the beginning my hospital looked empty, staff sent home due to low census while the surge was happening. I did not see the first, second or third surge as the media reported. What I have seen the last several months is an increase in blood clots and heart attacks people without history except a recent covid vaccine. I asked my manager if our system is auditing the number of blood clots, stemi heart attacks, he said "they do not want that reported." The most frequent question I'm asked now by my patients is, "Did the vaccine cause this?" I have many questions myself after reading months of research. Were the PCR tests even accurate all these months, since the FDA is withdrawing its use in December? What are the long term effects of the covid vaccines? I was recently told at work our hospital has blocked the VAERS website so as not to report any reactions. The only way our employers can get the majority of their employees to get vaccinated is to mandate, why is that? I have seen and witnessed what I think are the consequences of receiving the covid vaccines and is why I do not want it.

I now have to start taking a covid test weekly related to not being vaccinated. How does this make sense when the vaccinated can carry the same viral load and still get those breakthrough cases. I am not only thinking of myself, but of my daughters as well. I have a freshman going to Cincinnati and she will need weekly tests. These weekly tests and the restrictions placed on the unvaccinated are evidence of discrimination. Will our insurance rates be increased as well because of our choice being unvaccinated? Pomerene Hospital in Millersburg Ohio recently told their employees their rates will increase 30% if no covid vaccine.

I want you all to understand as a citizen of the United States and the State of Ohio, I need you to ensure I still have Freedom of Choice for my healthcare and not be discriminated against. I want to continue to be a Registered Nurse and provide income for my family without being threatened, coerced or fired because I'm not willing to take an emergency use of authorized covid vaccine. Show me the double blinded peer reviewed long term studies like all the other vaccines.

It is my choice, my body, my right and my life.

Thank you again and I pray you understand the significance of individual choice this House Bill 248 represents now and for the future.

Sincerely,

Robin Crilow