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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.

My name is Donna Hawkins and I am a Project Manager for a residential builder as well as an entrepreneur with a few small businesses I own and operate. I support House Bill 248 because as I continue to watch governments, businesses and employers take away our freedoms, I grow more concerned people will not be able to make decisions for themselves based on their own personal needs and desires. We need to stand strong now and not let our liberties be taken away from us little by little.

I have chosen to NOT take the experimental shot being called a vaccine that is being pushed on all Americans, and shamefully pushed by our own Ohio Government enticing people with "winning the lottery". This is not a game; it needs to be a thoughtful decision between each person and their doctor. I have done my research, and for me, I find the negatives far outweigh the benefits.

I am looking forward to shopping at my favorite stores, flying on an airplane, visiting sporting events and eating at restaurants again, without having to produce a card that reveals my personal medical choices.

Thank you once again for this opportunity to provide testimony on the need for and urgency of House Bill 248. And, May God Bless America.

Sincerely, Donna Hawkins