Chairman Lipps, Vice Chair Holmes, Ranking Member Russo, and Members of the House Health Committee, thank you for the chance to provide proponent testimony of House Bill 248.

My name is Jeff Miller. I have worked in the hydraulic industry for over 30 years. My current position is a service technician. I travel to many, various manufacturing plants throughout Ohio to repair hydraulic equipment. I do not think that my employer will require the vaccine, but I do think that the companies I travel to will require it before I enter the facility. At that point, I will be faced with a difficult decision - either take an experimental shot for some illness that I do not fear, or lose my job. What a shame that the political climate has become this destructive to an employee. Health decisions should be private, and you should be free to choose for yourself. After all this is America, the land of the free and home of the brave. That is why I am urging passage of House Bill 248. Never again should a person's vaccination status be a requirement for employment.

Thank you.

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