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RE: HB248

To Whom It May Concern:

My name is Casey Boggs, D.C. and I am a chiropractic physician. I started practicing in 2004 and currently I have a large practice in the Akron/Canton area. As a chiropractic physician, I spend the majority of my day listening to my patients. I am keenly aware of who my patients are and what their concerns are. Lately, my patients have two major concerns.

The first concern I have been hearing about recently is the possibility of my patients being discriminated against if they choose not to vaccinate. The majority of my patients are extremely healthy and go out of their way to be so. They eat right, exercise, manage their stress levels, and get regular chiropractic care to stay well. They don't like taking medication when they can help it. Right now they feel like they are being pushed into receiving a treatment that they feel is not necessary. I don't blame them. I don't believe anyone should be forced or coerced into receiving any treatment they don't want. I don't believe any business should be able to discriminate against them if they don't get a vaccine or any other unwanted treatment. This brings me to the second concern.

The second concern I am hearing about is privacy. My understanding is that it would be a violation of HIPAA for anyone, let alone a business to require someone share their health information. I don't believe allowing any business to restrict access to services should be allowed based on health information and I don't think it should be legal for them to ask.

These are only two concerns I have brought up, but there are many more related to this topic. I and many of my patients are a proponent of HB 248 because it would prevent discrimination and it would protect my patients privacy.

Yours for better health, Casey Boggs, DC Casey Boggs