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 Johanna Forbes and I am a Registered Nurse. I support House Bill 248 because I am very concerned about the safety of the COVID-19 vaccinations. The clinical trials continue through April 2023 and we do not currently have enough data to indicate that these are safe. The VAERS report data is extremely concerning and I personally will not receive this vaccine. I am not anti-vaccine, I simply will not accept a vaccination with such an alarming rate of adverse reactions. I believe choosing whether or not to receive this experimental vaccination should be a personal choice. Businesses or stores that may consider demanding employees or customers be vaccinated would be participating in medical discrimination.

Thank you once again for this opportunity to provide testimony on the need and urgency of House Bill 248.

Sincerely, Johanna Forbes