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 Casie Mathes and I am a human resource professional and the reason I support House Bill 248 is because I am fearful of losing my job if I choose not to have a medical procedure. This should be a decision made by myself and my medical provider. I am also fearful of what this could mean for my children and their options for school and this should not be a one size fits all. I do not want to be discriminated against and forced to wear a mask vs someone who has been vaccinated and not forced to wear a mask. This is marking individuals and publicly showing personal medical information.

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

Sincerely, Lauren (Casie) Mathes