Chairman Lipps, Vice Chair Holmes, Ranking Member Russo, and Members of the House Health Committee,

Thank you for the opportunity to submit proponent testimony for HB248. I am very concerned about Ohioans potentially being forced to take the Covid 19 vaccine, or any vaccine, as a condition of staying employed, attending school, or participating in commerce and society in general. A minority of the population wants to be able to decline vaccines for a variety of reasons, whether it be because of previous vaccine injury, a health or medical condition that is contraindicated, a

religious/spiritual/conscientious objection, or the case of the Covid vaccine, the fact that the UNAPPROVED (as of now) experimental Covid 19 vaccine was rushed to market in less than a year, when it usually takes vaccines at least 5 to 10 years or more to be brought to market. As of May 14, 2021, the CDC's Vaccine Adverse Event Reporting System (VAERS) data showed over 200,000 reports of adverse events following Covid vaccines, including over 4000 deaths and over 17,000 serious injuries. A 2011 report by Harvard Pilgrim Health Care, Inc. for the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services stated that fewer than one percent of all vaccine adverse events are reported to VAERS. So, potentially up to 100 times this number of adverse events have occurred with the Covid 19 vaccine. Additionally, there have been no long term studies of this particular vaccine. One of the ingredients in the Moderna vaccine is SM-102. In the SM-102 Safety Data Sheet, the listed cautions and hazards are as follows:

For research use only, not for human or veterinary use.

Highly flammable liquid and vapor.

Fatal in contact with skin.

Suspected of causing cancer.

Suspected of damaging fertility or the unborn child.

Causes damage to the central nervous system, the kidneys, the liver and the respiratory system through prolonged or repeated exposure.

Very toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects.

Most important symptoms and effects, both acute and delayed May cause anemia, cough, CNS depression, drowsiness, headache, heart damage, lassitude (weakness, exhaustion), liver damage, narcosis, reproductive effects, teratogenic effects.

Many critical thinkers who have done their research simply do not want to take the risk of dying or being severely injured from this vaccine. I suspect that if every person did their due diligence and their research, they would also probably be hesitant to take this or other vaccines. Ohioans must be able to choose whether or not to have a rushed, unapproved, and experimental (or ANY) medical intervention injected into their bodies, especially one that is potentially harmful and cancer causing. Their health/medical privacy must also be protected, as I am very concerned about discrimination against those who choose to not be vaccinated. If this is allowed, we will progress backwards, and society will experience what it did before the Civil Rights Act of 1964, with the segregation of populations, and also a caste system. For this reason, the unvaccinated should not have to show or prove their vaccination status for the Covid 19 or any other vaccine.

As an elected official, I feel that it is your job to protect our individual unalienable God given rights, including the right to decide what goes into our own bodies and the right to privacy. It is not your job to protect us from ever getting a virus or getting sick. It is also not anyone else's job or responsibility to prevent me from ever getting sick. It is incumbent upon each and every one of us to take measures to protect our own health by strengthening our immune systems, and not to rely on or expect others to protect our health. As a (formerly) vaccinated person, I never expected anyone else to be vaccinated for my protection. I was vaccinated, so why did it matter if anyone else was or wasn't? I cannot and must not hold others responsible for my health. It is incredibly un-American to force and coerce others to inject something into their bodies for my benefit and protection. Every individual must have the ultimate authority over their own body and medical decisions, NOT the government, businesses, employers, schools, or any other institution.

I respectfully ask each of you to vote YES on HB248.

Thank you very much, Hyesun Park