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 Deborah Weil and I am a stay-at-home mother of four children and the reason I support HB248 is because my husband and I know our children better than anyone. Just because I am a stay-at-home mom, does not mean I am ill informed. I research constantly all types of issues that effect my family. We listen to both sides of an issue and gather all the information we can, then make the best decision for our children. This is our God-given responsibility to care for these kids. If an approach works for one family, that does not mean it will work for another. This is why choice and anti-discrimination are paramount. Where there is risk, there must be choice.

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

Sincerely, Deborah R. Weil