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 Brian Clouse and I am a Sales professional and high school basketball coach and the reason I support House Bill 248 is because my health and well-being is nobody's concern but mine. No Federal, State or Local government should have the power to mandate or force any American citizen to take a vaccine that they don't feel safe or comfortable taking. Nor should any Federal, State or local government deny an American citizen the right to pursuit of happiness by forcing proof of vaccination records to go on with our daily lives, for example; Airports/ Airlines, government properties/ businesses, local schools and state colleges and/ or hospitals. I'm 98.6% confident in my body's ability to fight against Covid 19 or any variant. If at any time I start to feel less confident, then I will consult with my doctor to do what's right for my health and well-being.

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

Sincerely,

Brian Clouse