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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 Ellen Douglas and I am a 64 year old retired school teacher. I have had all of my childhood vaccines, but I support House Bill 248 because I'm afraid to take the Covid vaccine due to the many illnesses and deaths reported on the VAERS site. Now I read the Medicare and Medicaid Conditions of Participation and Conditions for Coverage may be altered to require the Covid vaccine as a condition of participation! This is frightening to me! I am afraid of a vaccine passport that will prevent me from shopping for groceries and medicines at the grocery store. The vaccine passport would segregate me into a two tier system preventing me from the liberty of freely participating in society. Please help me to keep my personal choice to not take the Covid vaccine. It will give me peace of mind to know that I will not be forced to take it.

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

Sincerely,

Ellen Douglas