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 Joseph Gentile, and I am a retired electrician. I strongly support House Bill 248. Mandating vaccines is overreach by the government, and I'm having a hard time understanding why we need to mandate a vaccine for a virus with a 99% recovery rate. More importantly, if this freedom is taken away, I fear for what may be taken away next. Please pass this bill.

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

Sincerely,

Joseph F. Gentile