Ohio House of Representatives

Committee: Health

OHIO HOUSE BILL 248: Vaccine Choice & Antidiscrimination Act

Dear Chairman P. Scott Lipps,

The passage of Ohio House Bill 248 is of grave concern in impacting my life and I highly encourage passage of OHIO BILL 248.

Besides the fact that I have lived a life of freedom of choice, as protected by the Constitution of the United States of America, and have sacrificed family members to wars to protect those freedoms, I now find myself being ostracized and discriminated against for making personal choices, that impact my body.

HERE IS MY STORY:

I work for Bethany Retirement Village. Bethany provides everything from Independent Living, Long- term care, Rehab, and Memory Care Support. My job is to drive clients to Doctors, Hospitals, Hair Salons, Lunch, or wherever to meet the need of the client. My temperature is taken daily, and am Covid tested twice weekly, by people who are not my doctor.

Once the current Federal Administration announces mandates on Vaccines for all Nursing homes, scheduled Wednesday, August 25, 2021, my employer will mandate vaccines based on loss of withholding Federal funds of Medicare/Medicaid. Will be happy to provide Email proof.

I am a retired Widow. My income consists of Social Security, no pension, and what I earn parttime from Bethany to enhance my living. When they fire me for not taking the vaccine, this will greatly impact how I can live. If they fire me, I will be ineligible for unemployment. If I quit, I am ineligible for unemployment.

I have been excluded and discriminated against for being unvaccinated. Hippa is ignored in protecting my health choices.

I am in good health, with a great immune system. I do not even take Flu shots. The credibility of both the CDC and the Vaccine is in question. I am a Christian, whose belief and understanding of the Scriptures tells me not to take the vaccine. I follow my, intellect, my gut feelings, my freedom of choice and put my trust in God in making this decision.

As your committee reviews the hardships mandated vaccines would create, I respectfully plead for your protection in the passage of Ohio House Bill 248.

Sincerely,

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