Chairman Lipps, Vice Chair Holmes, Ranking Member Russo, and Members of the House Health Committee.

My name is Mary A. Hutten and I am a currently-not-working Social Worker. I am also a currently-not-teaching college professor. My not working status is a result of governor-imposed restrictions initiated in 2020.

I appreciate the opportunity to provide **written-only proponent testimony** on House Bill 248. Please see attached my HB 248 Testimony Form

I support HB 248 because it is imperative that people's right to make their own choice about vaccination and all other medical procedures be protected.

It is equally as important that people not be discriminated against based on their decision about the vaccination and all other medical procedures. In addition, it is imperative that people's medical information/decisions be kept private and confidential.

I view HB 248 as the most urgent legislation the legislature is now hearing. Passing HB 248 becomes more urgent with each passing day.

Sincerely,

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