Dear Chairman Lipps, Vice Chair Holmes, Ranking Member Russo, and Members of the House Health Committee, thank you for the opportunity to provide testimony on House Bill 248.

My name is Melissa Jordan, and I am a teacher and the reason I support House Bill 248 is because I support individuals' rights to vaccine choice. I am asking you to vote YES for HB 248, The Vaccine Choice and Anti-Discrimination Act.

I am a strong advocate for living a Healthy Lifestyle. I've spent a large part of my life reading books and researching healthy habits that work best for me. When it comes to Health, I believe it is a very personal decision. I am 49 years old and believe eating a Whole Foods Plant Based Diet and exercising keeps me at my best health! I was never told to live this way and found it has worked for me personally. I share with family and friends why this lifestyle works for me. If questioned, I would provide books, podcasts, websites, recipes, videos, research articles, but <u>would never</u> pressure them to live my way of life.

This is why I feel I am a Strong Advocate for the passage of House Bill 248, the Vaccine Choice and Anti-Discrimination Act. No one should be mandated to a Medical Procedure that they feel is not beneficial to them. If someone wants to take a Vaccine and feels it would benefit them then they should have the choice to take it.

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

Sincerely,,

Melissa Jordan