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 Rita Lyons and I work in the healthcare field in medical billing in Dayton, Ohio. I support the House Bill 248 because we need this to protect Ohioan's individual rights to choose not to be vaccinated and not lose our employment. Currently, if we refuse the COVID vaccination we lose our jobs. The refusal will be accepted as a voluntary resignation. This is forcing me to take the vaccine because I do not want to lose my job, my home, my car and my health insurance. This is not fair. I feel either way I chose it will be the end of my livelihood. Passing this bill to protect the medical rights of individuals is very important me.

I'm requesting that you support House Bill 248. Ohioan's need protection from required/mandated vaccinations and vaccine passports. Ohioan's lives and livelihood depends on House Bill 248. Please help us! Thank you!

Thank you, Rita Lyons Hillsboro, Highland County, Ohio Resident