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To the Senate Public Health Committee:

Recently I visited with a woman who, under pressure from her employer, yielded to getting the covid vaccine three years ago. This woman, a school superintendent, has many health issues from this jab.

In a just world she should be able to sue and get compensated for the medical issues she will need to deal with. But money will not buy her health back. It only helps her pay for her sick visits, it enriches a lawyer and it takes up a lot of time, effort and is very expensive. Plus she wants to keep her job. She will not sue.

If she was employed in a warehouse or in a job which had physical risk, she could wear a hard hat and steel toed shoes for protection. But when she gets home she can take them off. When she retires she will never wear them again.

But with this jab, she will carry the consequences and toxins for life. She can't take it off when she gets home or when she retires. It has been injected. This jab may even shorten her life.

She should have been able to say no. Children were not at risk for covid. I don't know if the employer did their due diligence or if they just capitulated based on the misinformation they were given. Most employers are not going to check out the accuracy of public health statements.

Whether she got the jab or not would not affect her ability to do her job and to do it safely. It may now cost the employer lost days of work, heightened insurance premiums among other things. No one benefited except pharma. It was all risk; no benefit. But she was not given a choice.

This scenario is being played out every day with intelligent people not wanting to comply with medical mandates. It is an insult to the population that big brother knows better than the average person.

Please support SB19. It is a very simple and reasonable bill. It only makes sense that if we can say yes to medical procedures we should also be able to say no

especially in a world where equality is said to be so valued. Respect the right of the people to do their own research and assume the risks and responsibilities which is rightfully theirs and not that of bloated government overreach.