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Re: HB 2601

Dear Education Committee Members,

To whom it may concern. I am writing to you to make sure my voice is heard. I am a married mother with two children. Once passionately pro vaccine even while it was morally against my religion. This is what has changed and this is why every person deserves a right to decide if they want vaccines or if they want their children vaccinated.

1) My oldest son who is 8 years old now had a severe reaction that was denied after his 1 year vaccinations. He got the shots he started vomiting, ran a high fever, his eyes permanently crossed, he screamed and cried for a few days, then he was just different. Not necessarily autism but just different ... slower, clumsy, delays started for the first time in all areas. Fine motor, gross motor, speech. I was told by his doctors none of this was vaccine related so I blindly continued vaccines until he was 4 years old.

2) When my son was about 4 years old I went in for my yearly flu shot. I hadn't always gotten then but for the last few years prior I did with no issue that I knew of. That flu shot instantly caused pain to shoot from my arm into my neck and head. I walked out ok and drove home. By the time I got home I couldn't walk, stand or drive. This would last for close to a month. I was told after that that maybe I shouldn't get a flu shot. Thats when I started researching slowly about vaccines and learned they have no proven safety record. More people are injured than anyone knows because no one accepts responsibility or reports these injuries.

3) After having my youngest daughter who is two now. From the time she got her shots she has stayed extremely ill. She had jaundice, gi issues, trouble swallowing, she has all kinds of food allergies to things that were components in the vaccines. She is still struggling with asthma and eczema. No one warned me a child with eczema may not be the best fit for shots. I stopped vaccinating her after her 4 month shots and she has made slow progress in healing since. Between my two children the one with the least amount of vaccines is much healthier.

I could spew a bunch of facts or statistics but I choose to keep this personal. Bottom line is vaccine injuries are not rare and no one should be forced to take that chance with their lives or their kids lives. Medical treatment with risks should always be a choice.

Thank you, Jamie Hatch Desoto, KS