February 11, 2020

Representative Steve Huebert Chairman of the Education Committee

Re: House Bill 2601

I am writing to voice my support of House Bill 2601.

I find it unacceptable that KDHE has violated procedures and mandated vaccines that are not even transmissible in a school environment. They are effectively eliminating the right of the citizens of Kansas to participate in the process and this should not be allowed to continue. I also do not believe that they should be considered an unbiased and objective source for making these decisions. Their close ties to Immunize Kansas Coalition and pharma funding tells us that they are biased in favor of pharmaceutical companies and can not be depended on to look out for the best interest of the children of Kansas.

In 1986 Congress with the support of President Reagan removed liability from vaccine manufacturers and the doctors and nurses who administer the vaccines. We know that vaccines have risks because the manufacturers tell us this in the inserts that come in each package. Vaccines do not receive the same safety testing prior to their addition to the schedule that other drugs do. The required follow up safety testing that was specified as part of the 1986 act has never been done. Not one follow up safety study has been done in over 30 years yet new vaccines are constantly being added. Who knows what the synergistic effect is of all of the vaccines.

Where there is risk, there must be choice. Mandating people to inject a liability free product with known risks and poor safety studies is unacceptable and I believe Kansans deserve better. I am glad to see that we do have Representatives in the Legislature who are willing to stand up and put the welfare of the citizens of Kansas first.

Sincerely,

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