Dear Education Committee Members,

Thank you for taking the time to read this and hear our concerns. Please support HB 2601.

When I was 18 months old, I had a reaction to the DPT series. A large, red knot formed on my arm. I went into the Dr again for another set of shots and they said that I had an allergic reaction to the Pertussis part of the DPT shot. They proceeded to give me the vaccinations that I needed for that appointment and the knot in my arm got larger and harder. I believe that my parents at that point took a break from vaccinating and focused on getting rid of the large knot where the vaccine needles had been inserted. I am very thankful that I was not injured further to my knowledge. When my wife and I had children, I knew that I did not want to vaccinate them as I had a previous reaction and didn't want to potentially aggravate something in them.

Where there is risk, there should be choice. The Vaccine Adverse Event Reporting System was created about 43 years ago and has since paid out \$4.2 billion dollars in compensation. The Vaccine Manufacturers are no longer held responsible for the product they are manufacturing. In the world we live in today, we know that if people are not held responsible for what they are creating, quality of product can be a concern. Why else would the government be so bent on regulating food, pharmaceuticals, and energy? Vaccine Manufacturers have not brought forth a single double-blind, placebo tested, safety study. The studies that are done are against another adjuvant like aluminum. I don't believe that aluminum belongs in our body, and we are finding out from numerous studies that Alzheimer's is linked to large amounts of aluminum in the brain. Children with autism who have passed away are now having their brains studied after death, and those children are also showing large amounts of aluminum in their brains. Where is all this aluminum coming from? This should be a concern to all of us, we should be trying to make our country healthier and do everything we can to protect and help our future generation of Americans get out of the healthcare crisis we are all in.

I am a teacher and I see how many students have not only health issues, but mental health issues as well. I am not sure that there is a clear answer for all of it, but I can say that we should be looking at multiple issues and doing our best to help PARENTS make the right choices for their children, instead of mandating that they do what the government and pharmaceutical industry wants them to. Putting new mandates in place for more vaccines in order to go to school, especially those that do not pose some sort of potential communicable disease, is a huge overreach of power and I trust that you will do what is necessary to prevent this from occurring in the future.

Sincerely,

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