Re: HB 2601 February 11, 2020

Dear Education Committee Members,

I appreciate you all taking the time to read my testimony and hear my concerns. My husband and I studied vaccines and prayerfully considered whether we should vaccinate our children before we gave birth to our first child. The topic was a difficult one to talk with others about as there is so much fear around vaccinating your children or not. We finally made the decision that we were not going to vaccinate for various concerns such as injecting aluminum, formaldehyde, polysorbate 80, sometimes aborted fetal cells, animal parts, and eggs, into our children all at once. One of our biggest reasons was the aborted fetal cells, we do not agree with abortion and believe that it is the murder of an innocent human being, so we cannot in good conscience be a part of a medical procedure that uses aborted babies in any way.

The sad part about all of this is that due to our decision not to vaccinate our children, we have been ostracized by the medical community. It is incredibly difficult to find a practice that allows our children to be seen. We largely believe this is due to maintaining high vaccine rates so they can get the payouts by the vaccine companies. My family was kicked out of a medical practice because they no longer wanted to see non-vaccinated children due to the potential risk of my children bringing disease to the immune-compromised patients in the practice. Here is the funny thing, two of my children are immune compromised, just not to their standard, apparently. Those two children have allergies, asthma, and eczema, which are widely considered diseases that compromise the immune system. Another one of my children has an egg allergy. The Doctors do not consider this to be a problem, she should still get vaccinated like everyone else, and the only reason she shouldn't be vaccinated is if she were to go into anaphylactic shock. That is terrifying for me as a mother. Seriously, we don't believe seizures are abnormal, or big red welts where the needles are inserted, are concerning?

Please, as our elected officials, do the right thing, and start questioning. Put laws in place to protect those that want the choice to not vaccinate. We do not want our children to be as sick as those we see all around us in the country.

Sincerely, Loralie Clark Junction City, KS