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Chairwoman Senator Gelser and Committee Members:

My name is SL Brown and I work as an advocate for families searching out medical freedom choices.

I would like to relate a short experience I had this last weekend which will illustrate why SB 687 must be passed as is.

A young mother who has chosen not to vaccinate her sons (for both religious and medical reasons—the family do not believe in using vaccines grown in fetal cells, plus both parents have the MTHFR gene sequences which puts the children at higher risks for reactions to the ingredients in vaccines) had to decide whether to risk emergency care. In the end she went in for care, but she was terrified that DHS might be called.

One of her sons started experiencing fairly sharp pain in his lower right belly. It carried on all day. After trying some natural remedies, the concern was for appendicitis, which if ruptures, is outside the scope of natural treatments.

To repeat, this mom was afraid to take her child in for emergency care because of the threat of DHS being called and possibly having her young child taken away.

I have seen this family and they are a loving family system. Their children eat well and have many educational and social advantages. Nothing could be construed as abuse. And yet, if these parents take their child in to the ER, some doctor could call DHS and submit this family to terror, trauma and abuse. All because the parents made a wise medical decision for their children.

I know there are many arguments why this bill must pass, but my biggest concern is that I have met many parents who are afraid of taking their children in for care when needed because of the threat of having their children medically kidnapped (and that is what it is) because they made a different medical decision, i.e. because they chose not to vaccinate.

Regardless of where a person falls on the issue of vaccine safety and efficacy, I think we all agree that we do not want children to be unable to receive needed medical care because of fear of being taken away from their parents. We do not want a society where parents live in fear of being reported for simple medical decisions.

I am writing in support of SB 687 and I ask that you pass the bill out of committee as-is. Thank you for your effort on this matter.

Sincerely,

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