Dear Representative Salinas and members of the Committee on Health Care:

I'm writing you today to address HB 3063. As you know, in almost every case, parents are the best advocates for their children. On both sides of this issue, we desire to protect our children.

When there's risk, there must be choice. In the case of vaccines, there is proven risk. Vaccine injury is real, under-reported and in many cases, lifelong. In my healthcare career, I have witnessed the ultimate side effect of vaccination, death, and countless more cases of lifelong vaccine injury. I used to be staunchly pro-vaccine and personally disliked people I considered to careless parents, vaccine-declining mothers and fathers. Now I understand that vaccines are not and cannot be one-size-fits-all, as human bodies are unique and a large population today (30-50%) carries the MTHFR gene mutation which prevents the body from eliminating toxins. Vaccines contain proven neurotoxins and until a patient has experienced and documented a vaccine injury, a medical exemption will not be approved. Under HB2783, parents who have done due diligence and weighed the risks of vaccination will be required to submit their child to a huge potential for risk in order to attend school. With medical exemptions being a rarity, parents with legitimate concerns for health ramifications file philosophical exemptions. Similarly, God-loving parents like us cannot in good conscious inject our children with substances obtained from a corrupt and unethical abortion industry.

I've worked in healthcare for years and, after weighing the risks and protections vaccines offer, as well as knowing human children have been killed in the womb to produce several of the vaccines in the current schedule, have decided to file a religious exemption for some vaccines so my children may attend school. The CDC's vaccine schedule is expanding rapidly and parents should be encouraged to insist on safe practice regarding vaccination, not threatened with school exclusion.

We are a lower middle class family living in a small house on very little income. My husband is permanently and seriously physically injured and I am self-employed to connect the dots in our budget. We land at \$0 every single month. (and often less than that) Having to give up my work and income to homeschool our children would financially devastate our family. My husband and I are hardworking, family-valuing people and don't expect the government to support us; however, we cannot afford to cut our income at all, even by a few dollars. We take extreme care of our bodies in any way we can. None of my children have been ill in two years. If vaccination was the only method by which to maintain health, this wouldn't be the case for us. I don't fear anything and worry isn't an issue for me most of the time, but I fear this legislation. I fear the government overstepping into our parental rights to decide what's best for our children's health. I fear our family will not be able to afford groceries and basic needs if my income is lost. I fear our public school system imploding if the 35,000 Oregon children who filed exemptions are pulled from the roster by their concerned parents who opt to homeschool them. Constituents shouldn't fear their representatives, but instead direct their concerns to the people we've chosen for office. My intent of this letter is to do just that. I've attached a list of 2016 vaccinations for your review which illustrates the alarming (growing!) number of vaccine requirements, each containing toxic ingredients, as well as a photo of four children directly affected by your vote on this bill.

I respectfully ask you to stop House Bill 3063 and instead ask parents to do what's best for their families while protecting all children's right to a free and public education.

Sincerely,

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