

To Oregon's House Health Care Committee:

My name is Natalie Baldwin. I'm a CA resident with great concern about the direction Oregon is taking with the recent introduction of HB3063 which would remove all non-medical vaccination exemptions in Oregon. As a California resident who was affected directly by SB277 back in 2016 I can say first hand that this has negatively impacted our family and many of the families in our community. We have since learned that many people have genetic susceptibility to adverse reactions from vaccinations as was the case in my children who now have neurological abnormalities that are costing us and our local school system a lot of money to support. These risks are not made clear to parents when taking our kids in for well-baby check-ups and we're only told that vaccines are "safe and effective" when that is clearly not the case for all kids. No pharmaceutical is safe and effective for everyone. So, when mandatory vaccination laws pass, it puts more families at risk of adverse impacts.

Where there is a risk there must be a choice.

Changing bad legislation in CA is nearly impossible. The political quagmire that is our state's legislative process is so unmanageable that it could be decades before a bad decision is made right... but in the meantime we still have to raise our kids and suffer the traps of having lost our medical freedom along the way. Learn from California's mistakes ... don't pass HB3063. I can tell you that many parents, including myself, learned the pitfalls of SB277 in CA the hard way and would give anything to go back in time to fight harder against it. Instead we're trying to find what states still have medical freedoms that protect parents rights to refuse potentially harmful vaccinations. Our family has been considering a move to Oregon to specifically get away from bad legislation like SB277 and its negative impact to our communities. I would be heartbroken to see Oregon come off the list of states we could move to because of the passage of HB3063. Please consider carefully the downstream impact of passing bills that take medical freedom away from individuals and their families.

Sincerely,

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