

Vaccine Bill Testimony Template

[ON LETTERHEAD if representing an organization or business]

To Whom it May Concern:

I strongly OPPOSE the proposed HB 3063 and urge you not pass this into law. This bill takes away the human right for a parent to look at each vaccine individually, and make an informed and educated decision regarding the safety and health of their child.

A personal example I have is the ability to delay the Hepatitis B vaccine for my young daughter. I do not believe that my 14 month old child should be vaccinated for Hepatitis B at such a young age, as the spread of Hepatitis B is through contact with blood and is mainly transmitted through sexual intercourse/IV drug use. I feel it would more appropriate to administer this vaccination in her teen years. If this bill passes, I will no longer have the right to delay this vaccine for my child. Hepatitis B poses a small risk to public health, and I feel should not be required for my daughter to attend a licensed daycare or public school. 7.5% of kindergarteners file an exemption form, meaning they could simply be exempt from ONE vaccine and not ALL vaccines. My situation would fall into this category. Again, please don't take this right away from parents.

I want to be clear, I do believe in vaccinations and feel that they serve a purpose; however I don't feel that the government has the right to force a parent give a child ALL REQUIRED vaccines in order to attend a licensed daycare or public school. Exempt in Oregon means the student didn't receive [ALL 31 of 31 required](#) vaccines for school attendance. I feel this is unreasonable and a violation of our basic human rights.

Thank you for your consideration.

Respectfully,

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