Dear Committee Members,

This is my testimony for this Thursday's 3pm hearing for HB3063.

My name is Veronica Darling. I am an Oregon constituent in Portland with my husband, our seven children, and our two dogs. We have loved living here for the last 3 years. Admittedly, we are CA transplants. We moved here 3 years ago after losing our right to medical autonomy in CA via SB277.

I am writing to voice my concern and opposition to HB3063. I understand that the current climate and tone of the frenzied media is inciting anxiety among many folk. The current hysteria over Measles is getting worse each day. Many people who experienced childhood decades ago will remember that measles, while inconvenient and uncomfortable, was a typical childhood illness that resolved itself with little complication. And while I must point out that the MMR vaccine has a history for causing more harm and side effects than the diseases it is supposed to immunize against, the real issue at hand is medical freedom.

The issue of freedom, or rather the notion of legislating the limitation of any freedoms, ought to be weighed with great consideration.

As Americans, we hold freedom to be one of our most cherished values, paramount to the creation of this nation!

Currently under Oregonian law, if a parent chooses to exercise their freedom to refuse any vaccination, we have a system in place to verify that decision is made with care and with informed consent. The process of the Vaccine Education Module ensures that the information and recommendations of the CDC are fully understood. According to the Oregon Health Authority Immunization Program the system is working beautifully, as our rate for children who are fully exempt (fully unvaccinated) in K-12 is only 2.6%.

With a currently well oiled system in place, it makes little sense to me to push legislation limiting the freedoms of our states residents. I feel that this is an overreach of government. I am a Democrat and have found that in the past this can be a party line issue, but I truly feel it is an American issue. Please OPPOSE HB3063.

On a more personal note, I would like to share with you what I wish I'd known before I became Vaccine Hesitant. I wish I would have done research on both communicable diseases and vaccines prior to having my oldest son fully vaccinated on CDC schedule. I wish I would have known about VAERS, vaccine efficacy(lack thereof), vaccine ingredients(aborted fetal cells), vaccine testing procedures(there has been NO DOUBLE BLIND PLACEBO STUDY done), and mostly, I wish I would have know about the corporate greed that fuels vaccines and its ties to the politicians who mandate vaccines and the doctors who inject them. I wish I would have known about methylation genetic mutations(MTHFR). I wish I would have known that the doctor who gets a bonus for having a fully vaccinated child in his practice is the same doctor who will not return my calls or care for my child in the face of vaccine adverse reactions. I wish I would have known that the nurses were lying to me when they said the only reactions to a vaccine is

soreness at injection site and mild fever (every vaccine insert clearly outlines the risks and contraindications). I wish I would have known that giving Tylenol for the vaccine fever would have made the damage worse(it depletes glutathione making it harder for your body to remove toxins, including the vaccine adjuvants). I wish I would have known that adverse reactions that present as Autism can take time to fully develop as the body fights hard to rid itself of inflammation and toxins and metals that come from vaccines. I wish I would have known about the vaccine researchers who became whistleblowers (William Thompson and Andrew Zimmerman) to say the data making deemed "safe and effective" was fabricated. I wish I would have known about The National Childhood Vaccine Injury Act of 1986, and how it removed my right to sure a vaccine manufacturer for adverse reactions - making vaccines one of the only products in the world sold without a system of checks and balances or accountability, and making them entirely different from the car seats and helmets that they're commonly compared against. I wish that I had not been raised in a society that holds doctors to such a high degree that they become unquestionable. I wish I had known that measles and chicken pox and whooping cough pale in comparison in terms of complications to ASD, encephalitis, epilepsy, Guillian Barre Syndrome and SIDS. I wish I had known what informed consent meant, and that when all was said and done, I would be the one holding all the blame and responsibility for whatever choice I'd made. That I'd be the one ridiculed and mocked for making the choice I was "supposed" to make. I wish that when people say "herd immunity" they really mean "child sacrifice". Of course, they don't know that, until it's their child who draws the short straw. I can never go back and undo the choices I made, but now that I know what I didn't know before, I can make a fully informed decision. Please side with FREEDOM, INFORMED CONSENT, and SCIENCE!!

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