

Please do not pass HB 3063.

Our choice to not vaccinate did not start out that way. We did vaccinate..... at 18 months our daughter was given the MMR vaccine. 3 days later she had a fever, diarrhea and was lethargic. Day 4, January 11, 2009, she a seizure while sitting in her highchair. Our daughter was admitted to Salem Hospital and proceeded to have 2 more seizures. 3 days in the hospital and multiple tests pointed our Pediatrician to the MMR vaccine as the cause of her seizures. Our doctor had us report it to the CDC.

If it goes forward, HB 3063 will take away our choice and the confidence we have in our children being able to live healthy lives. Our daughter had a legitimate reaction to the vaccine but it is nearly impossible to get a medical exemption, based on her history of seizures, in Oregon. The media, pharma, doctors and pro-vaxxers create hype around false statistics. The vaccination rate in Oregon is 2.6%..... This has changed little in 22 years.

<https://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/imz-managers/coverage/childvaxview/data-reports/mmr/trend/index.html>

For our family, there is no guarantee that, had we continued to vaccinate our daughter, it would not have caused permanent damage to her. Forcing us, as parents, to vaccinate is a risk we are not willing to take. We are not an unvaccinated family, we did vaccinate and our daughter paid a price. We are real people! Educated and informed parents who have weighed the risks and have chosen not to continue to vaccinate our children.

Please DO NOT pass HB 3063. It hurts more than it helps.

Kind Regards,
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