

Dear Representative,

My name is Artemy Mametieff and I am writing to you in opposition to House Bill 3063, which would remove nonmedical exemptions for school vaccinations.

There is no emergency in Oregon due to low vaccination rates. The true unvaccinated K-12 rate, per OHA is only 2.6%.

There is no emergency in Oregon due to the measles. Despite close proximity to the Clark County outbreak, Oregon still stands at only 4 cases of measles. Oregon's vaccination rate for the MMR vaccine has been high and steady since at least 1995, per the CDC.

K-12 measles vaccination rates are over 95% for the state, above what OHA tells us we need for herd immunity.

Measles cases happen nearly every year in Oregon, according to the OHA. 4 cases is not out of the ordinary. The only thing different this year is the media hysteria trying to create a panic in the public and amongst legislators.

There is simply no reason that the legislature should be considering taking a public education away from over 31,000 students.

Thank you.

Respectfully,

Artemy Mametieff