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**Subject:** Mandatory Vaccination Bill HB 3063- OPPOSE  
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Dear Members of the House Health Care Committee,

We are writing to you to express our opposition to the mandatory vaccination bill HB 3063. This bill would strip parent's rights to provide for what is in their children's best interests as to the timeline of vaccinations. It is extremely concerning to us that the required vaccinations continue to increase while many little bodies cannot handle being subjected to that many drugs in such a small time-span. One of our daughters was born with bacterial ulcers which have always caused eating difficulties. She has problems with her intestinal system and reacts to most foods with a painful rash. We have been up to Doernbecher for testing only to have them suggest antibiotics whenever she has a flare-up. The poor thing has very little "good bacteria" left, as she's been on so many rounds of antibiotics. Her pediatrician said, "It's obviously gut related, but traditional medicine is approximately 30 years away from knowing all the affects of the gut." So, she is on a ridiculously strict diet where she can eat approximately 10 things- none of which contain sugar, gluten or dairy. However, when you look at her, she appears to be a healthy 3rd grader (albeit rather small for her age). She is not "bad enough" to qualify for a medical exemption, and yet, we are very aware that everything that goes into her body has an almost immediate and negative effect. It is for our sensitive daughter's sake, and others like her, that we plead with you to not push through this bill!

Oregon has a very high rate (97.4%) of fully vaccinated children and even those who file an exemption form have many of their vaccinations. This is not an emergency problem in Oregon and is an issue on which the people you represent should have time to be heard. There is already a mandated education procedure in place prior to getting an exemption. It is not a decision parents are making lightly or would be able to make lightly with the required education videos. This bill is NOT in the best interests of our children. All children are NOT the same and cannot be treated as such. What may be good for some can be extremely detrimental for others. Please don't sacrifice our child's health to push through a bill that's only clear beneficiary is the pharmaceutical companies who stand to profit.

Thank you for your consideration,  
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Constituents of District 12, Polk County