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Dear Representative,

I am a registered Democrat and am writing to tell you of my objection to HB 3063, removing parental rights to choose what vaccines their child receives in order to attend public school. This bill removes patient (and in this case) parental consent of a medical decision by not allowing parents to make this very important medical decision for their children if they want them to attend a public school. According to the Oregon Health Authority, in 2018 only 2.6% of children in K-12 had non-medical exemptions to all vaccines, meaning the majority of children are vaccinated, and of those who have non-medical exemptions, most are at partially vaccinated. I am not anti-vaccine, and I understand the importance of vaccinating children, but I do not believe that legislators should remove the rights of parents to make medical decisions for their children regarding vaccinations (if they want them to attend public school). Most parents who put their children on an alternative vaccine schedule do so with the support and in partnership with their child's medical provider. Please leave medical choice in the very capable hands of medical doctors and parents.

Best Regards,
Maryl Kunkel