

My name is Christie Klein and I am here to ask you to oppose 3063.

My family has a non-medical vaccine exemption because we oppose vaccines on religious grounds. Due to our family's Christian beliefs, we reject medicine that involves the injection of animal or other human's DNA into our bodies.

The MMR, hepatitis A, chickenpox and shingles vaccines are all cultivated in aborted human fetal tissue and contain traces of the DNA of the fetus. Some vaccines also contain cells from monkey kidneys, fetal cow blood, chicken embryos, bovine heart cells and pig blood. We reject the use of these in any type of injectable medication or medical procedure, again, on religious grounds.

To deny my children access to public or private school due to our religious practice is discrimination on grounds of religion and is not constitutional.

Though their specific religious beliefs differ from mine, I have also friends of different religions who reject medicines and medical procedures developed using electively aborted fetuses. While their specific religious ideals are not my own, I want to voice my concern that it is not only pro-life Christian children who the government would be attempting to ban from public life and deny them an appropriate education based on their religious beliefs but many other religious folks as well.

Dr Tetyana Obukhanych who holds a PhD in immunology said in her letter to Australian legislators considering a similar bill that people opting out of vaccines for reason of conscience pose no higher threat to the general public than people who have and that discriminating against them is not warranted from a public safety standpoint. I emailed the full text of her 11 page letter to you in advance so you may review her detailed findings yourselves.

Again, please protect the rights of all Oregon children to receive an appropriate public or private education regardless of their family's religious affiliation and practice by rejecting HB 3063.

Thank you.

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