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**Subject:** HB 3063 is Not Medically Ethical

Good Afternoon,

I am a mother and grandmother residing in Southern Oregon and as Judith Arancibia has stated so well, "I'm not anti-vaccine, I'm pro common sense!"

I first became aware of vaccine injuries when I was pregnant with my first child. One of my husband's co-workers had a severely disabled daughter who was unable even to walk, speak or feed herself. As we got to know the family, we discovered that she had been an entirely normal child progressing at an expected pace and able to walk, speak and feed herself up until a regularly scheduled DPT vaccination. After watching their daughter suffer terribly, the family found out that she received a vaccination from a "hot batch," a batch of vaccines that caused serious injury in almost every child who was injected with it. They didn't just think it was from the vaccine, it was acknowledged and they received a government check, but their daughter's life was destroyed by it.

I felt that this was a shocking, but probably very isolated and rare case. At a wedding a few months later, we sat at the table with a couple who had the same experience with their daughter. Normal, happy healthy child until a regular vaccination. Severly disabled post vaccination. After this, I became serious about researching this. When it came time to make decisions about my own child, I sat down and crunched the numbers. I researched the odds of catching each disease and having serious consequences and compared those numbers with the odds of having a serious or deadly reaction to the vaccine. The numbers spoke: vaccines were clearly the higher risk and I declined to inject potentially harmful substances into my children at that time.

A few years later, there were reports of pertussis in our area, so approaching things rationally and mathematically, rather than out of fear or pressure, I once again crunched

the numbers. This time the risk of the disease was worse, and my children were older and better able to handle the vaccine. I am so thankful that I was able to do my research and **make a choice** for my children's good. I was even able, through VEARS, to see that the batch they received was well-tolerated by most who received it before I allowed it to be injected into their bodies.

I strongly oppose HB 3063. I also object to the fast-tracking of this bill and hearing, making it difficult for people to testify in person and to gather information together. Following are the specific reasons for my objections.

1. This bill would remove parental rights to decline a medical intervention that carries risk. This destroys the very bedrock of medical ethics: informed consent. Informed consent implies the right to make a risk/benefit judgment and to decline if one determines the risk is not worth the potential benefit.

Vaccines can at times harm; that is why the Vaccine Injury Compensation Program has paid out nearly \$4 billion for vaccine injury; that is why vaccine inserts list various reactions that have been reported; some mild, some quite serious. Regardless, whenever a health care intervention carries risk, there must be the right to freely decline without fear of punishment.

- 2. Parents should not have to choose between the education they pay for with their tax dollars (and even more if they also pay for private school) and their considered judgment about their child's health; which vaccines are most appropriate for their child. Unvaccinated healthy children are no threat to other children. Vaccinated children are protected. Immunocompromised children can't attend school anyway.
- 3. This bill requires a child to be injured first to be considered for exemption. That is unacceptable. Furthermore, it places control in the hands of the doctor and not the parent. This is a violation of parental rights. Many doctors are paid bonuses by insurance companies for full vaccine coverage in their practices. They have a conflict of interest: to give a medical exemption is to lose money. They may also worry about coming under scrutiny from authorities who are behind these mandates in the first place. And many doctors are very close-minded on the subject. A child would have to have a devastating reaction almost immediately after vaccination to have any hope of a medical exemption.

- 4. This bill violates the right of conscience. Many of the required vaccines (MMR, chickenpox, Hep A, Hep B, polio) are made using cells cultured from aborted babies. I object to participating in abortion by consenting to these vaccines. It is not necessary to manufacture vaccines this way. It is unjust to force parents to use a product that they view as immoral in order for their children to gain an education.
- 5. Measles, the current justification for this bill, is a generally self-limiting disease. When I was young, measles was common and nobody was scared of it. People sent their kids to the homes of other kids with measles in hopes that they would get it too, and get it over with. While it is true that there can be complications from measles, the vast majority of those who get measles recover and have lifelong immunity. There have been *zero deaths from measles in the last 10 years*. On the other hand, during the same time period, *108 deaths have been reported to VAERS after an MMR vaccine*. Why doesn't this matter? It seems only right to compare injuries and deaths from measles with those from the vaccine. It's very difficult to do because the studies and reporting are inadequate. But an attempt ought to be made.
- 6. It is not true that vaccines have been subjected to rigorous safety testing. Indeed, in correspondence with the Informed Consent Action Network, HHS has recently revealed that there have been no true saline placebo controls in any vaccine safety study. All the placebos have either contained the same problematic ingredients as the vaccine being tested (e.g. aluminum) or have been other vaccines. That's not honest science. When asked to produce the studies that they claim to show safety, HHS was unable to provide a single double-blind saline placebo-controlled study. The correspondence and government documents may be read at <u>icandecide.org</u>.
- 7. The current outbreak is within the range of cyclical patterns of measles outbreaks, and the vaccine coverage in Oregon is already about 94%. Some level of periodic outbreak is expected.
- 8. Vaccine manufacturers were given immunity in 1986. They cannot be sued for any damage their product causes. It is unconscionable to mandate a liability-free product. That removes the only incentive left for consumers to encourage vaccine manufacturers to increase the safety of their product. After all, the reason they were given immunity in the first place was that there were so many lawsuits for injury, and manufacturers threatened to stop making them altogether. This shows that vaccines were and are risky. That is why immunity

was demanded and given. No matter how well-intentioned, it is unconscionable to mandate a liability-free product injected into the human body.

9. Furthermore, there is evidence of fraud at the CDC concerning MMR. MMR is the only vaccine ever studied to see if it was implicated in autism. The association with autism turned out to be so damning that the CDC manipulated the results and then destroyed the original data. William Thompson participated in that fraud but kept the data, turned it over to Congressman William Posey, got whistleblower status, and years later is still waiting to testify.

Even if vaccines were properly studied and proved safe for most people, I would still insist on the right to decline, like any other medical intervention that carries risk. But given the current situation, with all market forces removed that would encourage improving vaccine safety, plus evidence of fraud at the CDC, it is even more critical that this right be maintained.

The Democratic governor of Colorado, Jared Polis, recently said, "It's important that parents vaccinate their children, but you can't do that at the point of a gun...When the government tries to force parents to do this, it creates distrust in both vaccinations and distrust in government." Isn't this obvious? That is exactly what this bill does.

The science (or lack of it) is all a matter of public record. None of this is a conspiracy theory. That pejorative, like "anti-vaxxer," is just an attempt to discredit parents who have been complaining for decades now that their children were injured by their vaccines. More and more, the science supports our contention.

Jon Poling, father of Hannah Poling, received compensation from VCIP for her vaccinecaused autism, was interviewed about his experience:

"Although Poling has an MD and a PhD and is trained as a neurologist, he admits it was very difficult to come to terms with his daughter's diagnosis. In his neurology practice in Georgia, some of his patients are children with autism, so he is very familiar with the condition. His wife, Terry, is both a nurse and an attorney.

Even so, he says, they had some trouble initially getting doctors to take their concerns seriously. When Hannah exhibited symptoms after a series of five immunizations including nine vaccines, doctors initially passed them off as nothing serious. But as the symptoms didn't abate and in fact got worse, as parents, the Polings knew something was wrong.

...As he heard from other parents dealing with the same diagnosis, the initial denial, followed by difficulty in accepting the reality, was a common thread, Poling found."

## Conclusion:

Please abandon this terrible and unjust bill. You need to take parents seriously and not dismiss their concerns. Above all, you must not deprive them of their fundamental rights to care for their children's health as THEY see fit, without being deprived of the education their taxes pay for.

It's common sense to question why a Doctor would force vaccinating a child against an STD on the day of their birth when both parents do not carry the STD.

It's common sense to question the integrity of a 60 billion dollar industry that successfully bought legislation that makes them free of all liability when they cause harm.

It's common sense to be concerned when vaccine producers "donate" millions of dollars every year to the people who help determine the suggested vaccine schedule. (Academy of Pediatrics)

It's common sense to question the integrity of a system where the former Director of the CDC is now Vice President for the largest vaccine producer in the world.

It's common sense to "actually" read the pamphlets before vaccinating.

It's common sense to weigh the risk verses benefit, like any other medication.

It's common sense to find out for yourself the number of people that have been adversely affected by vaccines.

It's common sense that it's wrong to pay injured families only if they agree to be silent about their adverse reactions.

It's common sense that the number of adverse reactions is flawed because most go unreported.

It's common sense that when "risk of death" is listed as a side effect on a vaccine, for a disease that isn't life-threatening, it might not be worth giving to my healthy child.

It's common sense to question western medicine when 60 years ago they encouraged pregnant women to smoke.

It's common sense to question western medicine because of how long they knew cigarettes caused cancer, but remained silent due to the amount of money that was involved.

If your government can mandate taking a drug you may or may not want, what else could we, or our children, be forced to do? It just isn't constitutional to remove all

liabilities from a company and then force you to use their product. That is not living in a free country.
I'm not anti-vaccine, I'm pro common sense."
Links to evidence for claims made in this testimony below.
Respectfully submitted,
Anita Thornton
Medford, OR
Vaccines made using cells cultured from fetal tissue:
http://soundchoice.org/wp-content/uploads/vaccineListOrigFormat-1.pdf
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Measles deaths vs MMR deaths
https://healthimpactnews.com/2015/zero-u-s-measles-deaths-in-10-years-but-over-100-measles-vaccine-deaths-reported/
William Thompson CDC whistleblower
http://avoiceforchoice.org/cdcwhistleblower/
http://avoiceforchoice.org/cdcwhistleblower/
Gait disturbance after MMR

https://onlinelibra	ry.wile	y.com/doi/ab	os/10.1111/	j.1651	1-2227.2	2000.tb01188.x
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Thimerosal and Tics

https://www.westonaprice.org/health-topics/environmental-toxins/the-consequences-and-challenges-of-developmental-mercury-exposure/

Less than 1% of reactions reported:

 $\underline{https://healthit.ahrq.gov/sites/default/files/docs/publication/r18hs017045-lazarus-final-report-\underline{2011.pdf}}$ 

Governor Polis

https://thehill.com/hilltv/rising/431580-colorado-governor-defends-exemptions-states-cant-enforce-vaccines-at-the-point-of-a-gun?fbclid=IwAR07pj3CaFxXFFt4twMBW3rhu7\_AHijBcL6Ba1Qem4zIefRAMwGb3iVbBa4

John Poling interview:

https://www.webmd.com/brain/autism/news/20080306/dad-in-autism-vaccine-case-speaks-out#1

Measles in Oregon – general information

https://www.oregoniansformedicalfreedom.com/important-historical-facts-and-updates-about-measles-in-oregon-u-s/