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I was asked to send this for a Oregon resident who hasnt been able to get her email to you, for whatever reason, regarding H R 3-0-63. PLEASE Hear her out, because she is very sick and her son is also sick, and your bill would greatly endanger them because their immune system cannot handle any more shots. She presents a letter as follows:

Jena Blair,

Hello,

My name is Jena Blair and I live in Cave Junction, Oregon. I am writing to urge you to oppose HB-3063. I spend my free time scouring medical journals, mostly because I have always respected science, but my motivation also stems from suffering permanent disability myself and having a son that isn't 100% healthy.

My son has immunosuppression, and therefore it is not recommended that he receives any vaccines. He is the child that this bill is using to justify mandates, but, it will only punish him as I will explain.

My son was vaccinated at birth for Hepatitis B, and again about 6 months later with DTap, Polio, HiB, and a booster for HepB. When he was born he required life support for undiagnosed issues that we now know have effected his immune system (B cells). He was required to go to developmental assessments until age 2 to make sure that he was developing normally after losing oxygen to his brain for so long at birth. He has something called post sepsis syndrome as the main contraindication to vaccines. Basically, his immune system is compromised in a way that makes it hard for him to produce antibodies. His immune system already has trouble "educating" itself.

I choose not to vaccinate him further because 1) it is unlikely that he will produce antibodies 2) after carefully weighing of the risks and benefits I have decided that it is in my sons best interest not to continue on the schedule. For him, it is all risk and no reward. Live virus vaccines are definitely off the table, and I don't want to chance his current stable health with challenging his immune system unnecessarily. I will also mention that we are Catholic, and the vaccines containing aborted fetal tissue are against our religion, even though I am rather private about our religious beliefs. My son has already been through so much medically I am not willing to potentially fuel any fires with a medical procedure where the sole purpose is to stimulate an immune response.

If a child who has an active Hepatitis b infection can attend school then my child who simply hasn't had every booster should be able to attend. Children who have recently received live virus vaccines, which are capable of putting my child at risk as the vulnerable one, are still allowed to attend. If this is really about public health then the children who actually have the infections need to be given proper consideration. My son cannot spread what he does not have.

With that said, in the state of Oregon he will likely still not qualify for a medical

exemption. The vaccine insert cautions against vaccinating someone like my son, but the State of Oregon holds a different and nearly impossible to meet standard. He is the child that everyone claims to be wanting to protect, yet if this bill is passed and he is denied a medical exemption from OHA because he didn't get documented encephalitis from a vaccine, he will be the one excluded from school. I am not an "anti-vaxxer". I am a parent, who loves her son more than anything else on this earth and has done her due diligence and taken responsibility for my sons health and wellbeing. I have given him vaccines, I simply decided to stop after understanding the medical condition he is. Right now my son is stable and doing wonderfully in school, excelling in every aspect of his life. He LOVES school, and his right to attend should not be stripped from him because I don't want to vaccinate him for a disease like Hepatitis B which he could only contract through sexual contact or IV drug use.

At the VERY least this bill needs to be amended, but in my opinion it needs to be dropped completely. This is a free country and we deserve to choose what goes into our child's bodies and not have it effect their right to an education. I don't want anyone using my immunosuppressed kid as the excuse to pass this bill if it won't be benefitting him.

Think about the kids like mine who will be effected unfairly and vote NO on HB-3063.

Thank you, Jena Blair 541-531-6147 blair.jena@gmail.com

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