

To the Chief, Members of The House Committee on Health Care, and sponsors of HB3063:

I would like to take a moment this morning to extend my gratitude to you for hosting an open-minded public meeting regarding HB3063 and giving your best effort to make sure everyone's testimony was heard. It was wonderful to see so many people showing up to contribute their ideas for fair and healthy policy in our beautiful state. Regrettably, record amounts of snow accumulation, freezing temperatures and power outages kept me from being in attendance to share my personal testimony with you - so I was delighted to know that you supported those of your constituents that were unable to attend by broadcasting the hearing live.

There is one thing that stuck out to me as something we heard over and over yesterday afternoon that I hope is raising questions in your mind. We heard an overwhelming amount of testimony from people in opposition to HB3063 who were either personally vaccine injured or had someone in their family that was vaccine injured and brought up the important topic of epigenetics and their genetic predisposition that they knew made them susceptible to vaccine injury. One thing that we heard over and over again from mothers to medical professionals alike was the presence of MTHFR genetic mutations. It has been researched and suggested that MTHFR genetic variants of either C677T or A1298C hinders a persons ability to detoxify heavy metals like those occurring in vaccine adjuvants by 30-90% depending on which genetic traits have been passed down from their parents.

I will admit that I am not a scientist, doctor or scholarly researcher – but I do believe that a concerned mother is very well capable of better investigation than the FBI. As someone who experienced vaccine reactions as a child and then became irreversibly vaccine injured during an otherwise healthy pregnancy, I am someone who was forced to learn and understand what the MTHFR mutation means for my own health. Based on the information above, one could conclude that for people who carry any combination of an MTHFR mutation there is a likelihood of 30-90% chance of being injured by their bodies inability to detoxify and process a single vaccine. Add additional vaccines to this, as well additional epigenetics and our exposure to environmental toxins in our regular daily life and we are literally just compounding the risk until it's almost inevitable. As I said before, I am not a scientist or researcher, and I know that this scenario is just a hypothesis – but common sense tells me that this type of genetic information is the answer to the vaccine issue that society is seeking. This is a hypothesis that deserves further investigation, especially before vaccines are mandated. There is a legitimate population of people who are genetically pre-dispositioned to react in unpredictable ways to any type of heavy metal or toxin contained in vaccinations. This minority

population knows who they are because they have had to take on ridiculous amounts of research and pushback in acting as their own advocates in a medical system where the average doctor or pediatrician does not recognize the risk this could pose to their patient's wellbeing.

In effort to achieve informed consent for my daughter's vaccination schedule, I have literally been laughed at by real doctors when I ask about MTHFR. I've been told it only matters in pregnancy, it only matters if you have a clotting disorder, and (this is my favorite, courtesy of my endocrinologist) "in Med-School we were told not to test patients for MTHFR because the research hasn't been done to really know what it means yet." As a parent of a perfectly healthy baby girl who only received vaccinations at birth (where she needed to be life-flighted for a NICU stay), I will not settle for "we aren't sure yet." The population of people you heard from today is at risk, and we need your help! We need help from policy makers and officials who specialize in healthcare decisions to back us up that there MUST be more research to figure out why bad things happen to a small portion of people who receive vaccines. These parent's who are vaccine injured themselves know that their child has the same, if not more susceptibility to injury from vaccines, which is why we haven't put our children at risk. As someone who now suffers from multiple autoimmune conditions at the hands of the Tdap Vaccine and is a carrier of MTHFR gene mutations, I will not vaccinate my child until this has been thoroughly researched.

We have now found a pediatrician for my daughter who is in agreement and support of this decision. Regrettably, even with information from genetic testing, history of 4 indisputable vaccine reactions from myself, and the presence of multiple autoimmune diseases in both sides of my daughter's genetics - it is still not enough to qualify for a medical exemption in the State of Oregon. This is because our medical exemptions rely on the vaccine contraindication guidelines laid out by the CDC – the CDC who despite all of the testimony you heard from your constituents, REFUSES to admit that vaccines are anything less than 100% safe and effective. Please do not let it slip your mind that almost if not all of your constituents who shared medical testimony for why they do not vaccinate DO NOT QUALIFY for medical exemptions in Oregon as it is currently. The insinuation that it's not so bad to remove personal exemptions because medical exemptions remain is not at all the reality. It is my understanding that you have to be severely vaccine injured or severely immunocompromised to receive an exemption for even one specific vaccine as the laws are now. I would ask that you put yourself in a concerned parent's shoes and talk to an average pediatrician regarding the availability of medical exemptions before you make a decision on this bill. Ask them about seizure reactions to vaccines, ask them about high fevers and encephalopathy, and whether or not they instruct their parents to use Tylenol with vaccines which further exacerbates MTHFR involvement, ask them if they know about MTHFR and vaccine adjuvants, ask

them at what extremes is a child medically exempt from vaccination? These are things that I struggle as a parent to get responsible answers from the medical community who are only taught to administer shots and not what to look for when things go wrong.

If you are ready to pass some vaccine legislation for our beautiful State of Oregon – I beg you – turn your energies toward legislation that would protect this outpouring of people who shared their vaccine injury stories with you today. When it can be genetically proven that someone is at risk for a serious side effect to a pharmaceutical drug, that person should without a doubt be medically exempt from any government mandates regarding that product. This is a nation-wide issue, but I hope that after today you see that we will not give up fighting for our children. Please, let Oregon lead the way on resolving the vaccine issue. Empower those who oppose HB3063 by leaving our personal exemptions in place while simultaneously expanding our rights to medical exemption and pushing for safer vaccines for those who are at high risk for vaccine injury. On all sides of the vaccine issue you will find people who believe in science, I am asking you to push the science further – because contrary to the pro-vax stance, the science on safe vaccination is far from settled.

Thank you for your time, if you have any follow up questions, I would love to hear from you.

Sincerely,

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On Tue, Feb 26, 2019 at 6:07 PM KoraLynn Haugen <koralynnhaugen@gmail.com> wrote:

Members of the House Committee On Health Care,

I am writing to you to express my disgust towards proposed House Bill 3063. Based on religious beliefs I strongly oppose vaccinations that contain aborted fetal cells and my children WILL NOT receive them - passing of this bill would **violate my 1st amendment right** to religious beliefs. It is my philosophical belief that as a parent I should be able to make decisions about vaccinations and any/all other pharmaceutical drugs after careful discussion and **informed consent** with my doctor - and I should be able to do so free from government overreach and mandates that force unnecessary medical harm to my children. **Where there is RISK there must be CHOICE and as the US Supreme Court ruled in 2011 Bruesewitz v.**

Wyeth LLC, that vaccines are "unavoidably unsafe". It is my sacred duty as a mother and parent to make informed choices and act in the best interest of my children - there is no room for government mandates between parental choice and medical decisions for a child who is healthy, loved, and cared for. **This belief is protected by the 14th amendment** which reserves my right to parent my children INCLUDING medical decisions without state intervention.

If HB3063 were to become law you are effectively discriminating against the vulnerable population of more than 31,000 children currently enrolled in Oregon public education that would no longer be allowed to attend school without immediately catching up on THIRTY ONE required vaccines. Are you then going to take liability for any injuries that happen because families who are financially unable to homeschool would now be forced to have their children vaccinated against their wishes? Did you know that in 1986 Congress passed the "National childhood vaccine injury Act" which **removed financial liability from vaccine manufacturers and placed it on taxpayers** with a \$ 0.75 tax on every vaccine given? Did you know that money goes into a fund called the National Vaccine Injury Compensation Program and they have paid out a total of more than \$4 BILLION (\$4,061,322,557.08) to families of children who were permanently damaged or died directly because of VACCINE INJURY? Did you know that in 2019 ALONE (57 days) the NVICP have already paid out **\$73,121,911.19 to compensate for vaccine injury? This is almost \$1.3 million dollars per day in 2019.** (Please see the monthly report for NVICP here: <https://www.hrsa.gov/sites/default/files/hrsa/vaccine-compensation/data/monthly-stats-february-2019.pdf>) Another glaring statistic to add to that is that these daunting numbers only account for approximately 5% of the vaccine injuries reported to VAERS (Vaccine Adverse Event Reporting System).

As lawmakers, **you cannot ignore these statistics** as they represent the HUGE RISK you are imposing on the citizens of our state. Instead of mandating things that are UNSAFE and HARMFUL on our CHILDREN you should be pushing and advocating for VACCINE SAFETY, INFORMED CONSENT, and supporting Oregonian families who have suffered tragedies at the hands of The FDA, The CDC, and Pharmaceutical companies that *some* of you are endorsed by. Who do you work for? The people of Oregon, or the pharmaceutical companies that pad your pockets? Because if you work for THE PEOPLE and you have our best interests at heart, you will vote NO on HB3063.

It is also pertinent to add that it is absolutely disgraceful that you decided to propose and schedule a hearing for HB3063 with only 3 days notice to your constituents while the majority of our state is under an extreme winter weather warning and physically unable to come speak to your committee. It's almost as if you didn't want angry parents showing up to your hearing on Thursday to fight for the health and wellbeing of their children.

I sincerely hope that you are able to see both sides of this issue and not just dismiss testimonies from countless vaccine injured families as "crazy anti-vaxxers". Please do your due diligence before you vote on this bill and vote in a way that best represents the majority of ALL OREGONIANS, including my precious daughter.

Sincerely,

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