

As a father of 5 children who had their vaccinations, granted on a modified schedule, I am angry that this socialized state is trying to take away the rights of citizens. Let me start by stating that I was a Paramedic for the City of Ashland for 8.5 years till removed from the job as a result of an on the job injury that has left me permanently disabled.

As a former Paramedic, I believe that vaccinations can, do, and will save lives but this believe did not stop me from spreading out the vaccination schedule for my children. My wife and I made this decision because her twins son, while living in Alaska, developed Asperger's. In fact every young male in the neighborhood they lived in were diagnosed with either Autism or Asperger's. The only thing in common these young males had was the vaccinations and the water they drank. This reason and several other stories we read about the possibility of vaccinations causing Autism is why we chose to modify the vaccination schedule for our children.

That aside, when it comes to vaccinating our children or not should be left to the parents. Do not take the religious exemption away from the citizens of this state. I have seen our rights slowly being taken away by the socialist/demoncrats that have been in power of this state. In order for freedom to continue in this state and this country, we must have a limited government that stays out of our lives. Let the people to continue making the choice to vaccinate our children. It is our right to raise our children the away we want.

It is troubling that a state that continues to fight against the life of the unborn, by expanding abortions and allowing children to get an abortion without the parents permission even though that can't get other surgical interventions without parental consent, is fighting to "protect" the children after they are born (SB527 for example).

I do not want the state telling me that my child is required to have the HPV vaccination before being allowed to continue in school. Where will the line be drawn?

Please reject this bill and allow the parent to continue raising their children as the see fit, Todd Clayton.

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