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 HHC Exhibits

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 HB 3063

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## Dear Sir/Ma'am:

I am writing to URGE you to appose HB 3063. I understand and now your concerns...but please, listen to our cries. I have a nephew with full blown autism. Today he doesn't talk. I have a brother who had severe reactions and ended up all his days in special education classrooms. However, there is something we are missing. I know they say that such has nothing to do with vaccinations. That may be true...maybe it is the combination of how we treat our kids (tylenol, etc) after they have those vaccinations. Maybe it is a "trigger" to certain childrens' systems. Based upon my family's medical history, we made informed choices that would reduce the risk of damage to my children. We have three children on the autism spectrum, high functioning with aspergers...nearly gifted, one with an Specific Learning Disability, and one with ADHD. I wonder if those vaccinations would have "triggered" them to become more like their nephew or my brother. It wasn't worth the risk and I decided to wait on their vaccinations until they were older and their body could handle it. They are now fully vaccinated but in waiting, only half of the vaccinations were needed...and therefore was less of a stressor to their body. This bill takes away this option! The state has always prided itself in recognizing parental rights. This moves us towards a slippery slope.

At first, I did try to get a medical exemption for my eldest from our local pediatrician who was totally against it. Although he objected, he agreed to provide just the tetanus to my child. As I left my son in the exam room to work with my other children, I overhead him whispering to the nurse to give the child the DPT. I walked out of the office with my son and never went back. I have not find a doctor even willing to give a medical waiver or exemption for vaccinations unless your child is dying. Even if a child has a reaction, they would not necessarily connect it to a vaccination. It is the parent that must live with the life-long consequences of unknown reactions, not the doctor or you. Please, respect the rights of parents to make informed choices and grant us medical freedom. This is such an important issue to our family that forcing it upon my children as they become parents my may lead them to move out of state. We need informed consent nd safer vaccines, not doctors and legislatures forcing this upon us.

Thank you,

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