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Dear Members:

I know the voices are loud against HB-3063, ultimately requiring more parents to vaccinate their children. I strongly support any evidence-based vaccine and vaccine program that has been proven effective and safe for children. This is a time when the public good outweighs personal choice.

I believe it is disingenuous for parents to decide not to vaccinate their child but banking on the immunity of the herd to protect their own un-vaccinated child. It takes all parents to collaborate to protect our children. The only reasonable exemption should be based on clinically approved medical reasons only.

I strongly urge you to vote yes on HB-3063 and move it to the full House of Representatives.

Sincerely,

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