Hello,

I'm writing to voice my strong opposition to HB3063. For my family, the issue is not regarding vaccination in general, nor of particular concerns such as autism, but of granting the power to government to effectively mandate that certain pharmaceuticals be injected into virtually EVERY child in the State. This bill requires ALL vaccines on the schedule be taken, past and FUTURE, already including some for diseases that pose no risk to children at school. A decision to add or remove a vaccine from the schedule has an impact of BILLIONS of dollars on involved pharmaceutical companies. Federal law already prohibits lawsuits on vaccines. The potential for inappropriate influence on those making the decisions to update the vaccination schedule in the future is enormous. If a new vaccine is added in the future to which consumers have concerns, those consumers, at least those who cannot afford private school, will have no recourse.

I do not wish there to be terrorist attacks on American soil. Nevertheless, I am unwilling to grant the power to government of unrestricted surveillance, even though this would be a useful tool for law enforcement., The potential for abuse is too great. Similarly, I wish to be able to prevent disease, but not at the cost of granting this level of virtually unrestricted and unregulated power to the government over my body and the bodies of my family. Vaccine exemptions are a necessary check on this power of government. The freedom to not be forced to inject chemical substances into the bodies of our children is essential in a free society.

Thank you,

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