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On Behalf Of:
Committee: House Committee On Health Care
Measure: SB1529

Dear House Committee on Health Care,
I strongly oppose SB 1529 for the following reasons

- 1) It grants far too much power to the Public Health Director. This is an unelected bureaucrat and they should not have the power to take control of people's lives! The public health director should not be able to declare a health care emergency nor be able to institute the powers described in section 10 of this bill, even with the governors consent.
- 2) The government itself should not have the power to take control of people's lives as described in section 10 of this bill. It is far too easy for the government and in this case, not even the elected government, to abuse the power granted in this section. Power tends to corrupt, and great power like this will corrupt greatly. If our freedom is pushed aside for an emergency, what's to stop a power hungry governor and Public Health Director from declaring an emergency that is not justified simply in order to have these powers?

Please vote no on this abominable bill and let our state be free!

With love,
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