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I am in opposition to this bill. Unelected bureaucrats should not be setting our health care policy or mandating any form of treatment, especially in a format that does not allow for public input. That is a dictatorship, something I thought we were against in this country. Also, I do not believe any medical treatment should be mandated.

Everyone should have the right to decide what treatments they will or will not have. It is my understanding that the state currently does not have enough funding for our roads, hence a special session last year. So why are we adding another expense to taxpayer, that we cannot afford, by requiring the taxpayer to pay for forced medical treatments? Every person has the right to decide their medical treatment plan in consultation with their doctor(s). This bill seems to handcuff doctors and their ability to properly advise their patients. I urge a no vote on this bill.