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Members of the committee,

SB 1598 equals No Medical Freedom in Oregon.

If passed, the State will have unchecked authority. SB 1598 grants broad power to unelected public health officials to make decisions affecting all of us, without further legislation or public debate. SB 1598 clears the way for vaccine requirements to affect access to schools without another legislative vote.

It invokes statewide one-size-fits-all medical orders without individual consent. It compels insurance companies and taxpayer-supported public programs to pay in full for vaccines and health services which will increase costs and taxes. It removes the ability of doctors to make decisions in the best interest of their patients.

When decision-making is centralized and accountability is eliminated, parental choice, medical discretion, and informed choice disappear.