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On Behalf Of:
Committee: Senate Committee On Health Care
Measure, Appointment or Topic: SB1598

I write in opposition to SB1598.

This bill would empower unelected individuals such as a public health official or an OHS-designated individual to make health decisions, e.g. vaccinations, without civil accountability to the legislature, to the public, or to the affected individual. This is unethical on its face.

This bill eliminates accountability for the official for any decision or standing health order, even when these decisions impinge on informed consent, parental choice, or personal, medical, or religious exemptions. One would think that Oregon would not want to re-live the debacle that was CoVID-19 where OHA essentially mandated an ineffective if not dangerous gene therapy.

Also, this bill appears to be an work-around to the CDC's recent changes to the childhood vaccine schedule so as to maintain the pre-June 2025 schedule. The CDC used common-sense and scientific reasoning to trim the vaccine schedule, especially since none of the vaccines have been tested individually or when given in tranches for safety and efficacy.

Finally, SB1598 would violate the individual's Constitutional right to be secure in his/person as guaranteed by the 4th Amendment.

I urge SB1598 fail in committee. It is bureaucratic overreach, lacks civil and criminal accountability, and is unnecessary.