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SB1598

This is one more creeping crawl towards the “death panel” conspiracy theory by authorizing a “public authority” to mandate any medical procedure or injection statewide without individual consent, and doctor input. When decision-making is centralized to the State and accountability is eliminated, parental choice, medical discretion, and informed choice are weakened and in some instances eliminated.

SB1598 is concerning and unacceptable for the health of Oregonians.

Gives unchecked authority to unelected public health officials to make decisions affecting all of us, without further legislation or public debate.

Overrides doctors and removes ability of doctors to make decisions in the best interest of their patients.

Clears the way of automatic medical mandates which affects access to schools — without another legislative vote or public input.

Creates forced state-wide compliance by invoking a one-size-fits-all medical orders without individual consent. This is authoritarian, not democratic.