

February 11, 2020

Re: HB 2601

Dear Education Committee Members,

I support HB 2601 and ask that you please support it as well. I could list many reasons why it is not right to mandate medical procedures, but I will list one. On every physician's vaccine insert there is statement 13.1 that says in part, **"(This vaccine) has not been evaluated for its carcinogenic or mutagenic potential, or its potential to impair fertility."** It says this on every vaccine. Please stop and think about this statement. The vaccine has not been evaluated for its ability to cause cancer. The vaccine has not been evaluated for its potential to impair fertility. 13.1 is a huge statement that requires prayerful discernment. **This kind of discernment is not meant to be placed in the hands of politicians, it is meant to be placed in the hearts of parents.**

By mandating medical procedures, we are taking the freedom to the people to make their own choices regarding their health. This is a slippery slope our great state should take a stand against. Our state and culture will thrive when the family is the building block of our society. The family thrives best when parents are allowed and encouraged to make well educated decisions for their children including religious, educational and medical choices. **Only when the family is allowed the independence to make these choices, will we see this state truly thrive as the Lord intended.**

We humbly implore you to stop imposing medical mandates in the form of vaccination mandates and to allow parents the right to make medical decisions for their children.

Thank you,
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