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Re: HB 2601

Dear Education Committee Members,

When I first was pregnant with my son, there were many people I considered wacky or freaks, that were giving me information on the dangers of vaccines. I easily disregarded the information and wouldn't even read it. After my baby was born he was vaccinated up until age two. In that time we went to hospital or urgent care (almost every time) shortly after he received his injections. He was being treated for severe rashes, skin irritation and asthma. I was asthmatic as a child and thought nothing of it. Never saw the pattern. Pregnant with my second child, same thing, people giving me books and talking to my sister in-law, who in fact lost a 5 month old child days after receiving her vaccine injections!!! I was starting to see the pattern with my children because number two, although not as extreme or serious was developing the same reactions.. I then turned to books, papers, pamphlets, doctors and nurses, even had a microbiologist friend confirm all my research.. needless to say I did not vaccinate the rest of my children and not one of them has a had a single asthma attack or mysterious health concern. I have many family members that do vaccinate their children and among them there are some with severe allergies, learning disabilities, autism, and even deaths after vaccines, on both mine and my husband's side of the family.

I was very pro "vaccinate by two it's up to you" prior to and in the beginning of parent hood. After my experiencing and hearing many, many others stories, I very grateful to the path my children are on. They are all very healthy adults and children. I am grateful to the doctors who walked me through getting exemptions for my family through out the years..

If my family would have been forced to immunize I know we would have been less healthy of a family and perhaps I would have even lost one. Don't force healthy people to make themselves sick or patients for life!!! Vaccines are not a one size fits all!! Please support the bill, HB 2601.

Thank you for your time!

Sincerely,
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