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Re: HB 2601

Dear Education Committee Members,

My name is Katie Reagan. I have four children and we live near Sylvan Grove, Ks. I obtained my Masters of Science from Fort Hays State University. I currently operate a private practice for mental health counseling in Sylvan Grove.

I give you my background information to help explain that I was someone who genuinely felt educated and informed. I knew the schooling I was required to attend and trusted my pediatrician's education. Because of my trust in them, I allowed my children to be vaccinated. I assumed that my pediatrician and the people approving and requiring these shots had done their research and knew beyond a shadow of doubt that they were safe.

Shortly after my third child received his four year vaccinations, he started falling several times a day. We rushed him to the emergency room, the eye doctor and his pediatrician. We were referred to a neurologist who did an EEG and determined our four year old was having 140 seizures a day. They diagnosed him with Myoclonic-Astatic Epilepsy or Doose Syndrome. We were initially told this was a genetic epilepsy, however after genetic testing we discovered that all three of us were negative for the gene. We were then told it was "environmental". Meanwhile, the doctors put him on a medication that increased his seizures, introduced new seizure types and took him completely away from us. He didn't make eye contact, he would sit, covering his ears and rock, he didn't laugh, he regressed to the point he was back in diapers and was unable to attend preschool. When I confronted the doctors and told them that his medication was causing the issues, they insisted that they were "100% sure it wasn't the meds". However, we knew it was the medication so we weaned him off of it. And he came back. He was back to the spirited little guy that he was before being medicated. He told us that the medicine "made his brain pop" and it "was really loud all the time". My heart broke knowing that I had given my child a medication for over a month without even talking to the pharmacist. I didn't even question the side effects, just trusted blindly. Once I did speak to the pharmacist, and other parents whose children had been on the medication, I discovered these were all KNOWN side effects of the medication. None of these side effects were discussed with me.

Meanwhile, a nurse at our local clinic and I were working a shift together and she sat me down and told me that her granddaughter had died less than 24 hours after receiving vaccinations and she wanted me to look into vaccines as the cause of my son's epilepsy. She told me she knew SIDS was caused by vaccines. A medical professional, telling me vaccines are unsafe. Now, at first I was livid. However, once I took a step back, I realized I was livid because if vaccinations caused this, I allowed my child to be injured. I willingly marched him to the doctor, helped hold him down, and encouraged him to "be brave" while he was stuck with multiple needles. All because I trusted what the "professionals" told me about the vaccines. However, at this point I was less trusting because they were ignorant about the medication they gave him for the seizures. So I started to do my own research.

Now, keep in mind I have a masters degree. So at very least, I can decipher a reliable source from an unreliable source. My research led me to know, beyond a shadow of doubt, that vaccines are not only not effective, but are absolutely unsafe. I started with comparing Infant Mortality Rates across the world, and found that the more doses of vaccinations given, the higher the IMR. This sparked my interest as I was told vaccinations were saving our babies. I then looked for epilepsy and found that every vaccination my four year old received, had seizures listed as a side effect. I wasn't told that in the doctor's office.

I wasn't informed of the risks. And I was lied to about the benefits. I genuinely believe anyone that supports forced vaccinations are undereducated. I would be more than happy to sit down with you and discuss what I have found. I am asking that you do your own research. You are a leader and a representative, you should know more about vaccinations than anyone. Find studies on these vaccinations and read them. Put in the work yourself and determine the efficiency and safety of these vaccines that you are attempting to inject into people. Ask questions. Take a stand. I blindly trusted you. There are thousands that are blindly trusting you now. You owe it to us and them to know what you are signing.

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