

Re: HB 2601

February 10, 2020

Dear Education Committee Members,

I am writing to share my story of my son's vaccine injury. When he was 18 months old he received the recommended vaccines per the CDC schedule. I would do anything to go back and change that day. After receiving them, my happy, healthy and typically developing son was a completely different child. He started screaming constantly, spinning objects, and avoiding eye contact. He became extremely aggressive and defiant.

He was later diagnosed with sensory processing disorder and a severe case of PANDAS. It has taken me years and tens of thousands of dollars to restore his health and get my child back again. Vaccines can and do cause harm and injury. Where there is risk, there must be choice.

Sincerely,
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