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Dear Education Committee Members,

I am writing to you to ask you to support Representative Huebert's bill, HB 2601 (school immunizations). While there are many reasons to support such measure, my main concerns are as follows:

1. I have concerns about the fact that KDHE violated procedure in 2019 while attempting to add the meningitis and Hep A vaccines to the schedule. It is concerning that such procedures are in place, presumably for citizen protection and to serve as a checks & balances of power, yet this department was allowed to violate these procedures without recourse. This is concerning to me as it sets a precedent that I believe puts our liberties and freedoms at risk for all future issues.

2. I believe strongly in our right to freedom of medical choice. Where there is risk, there must be choice! There are NO studies done to prove this current schedule is truly SAFE and effective. For those who hold to particular religious beliefs, the presence of aborted fetal tissue in some vaccines makes them a violation of those beliefs. The religious exemption must remain for true freedom of choice.

Thank you for taking the time to thoroughly research this matter and consider information presented to you.

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