

March 22, 2021

RE: In support of SB 212

Chairman Hilderbrand and Senate Public Health and Welfare Committee Members –

I am writing on behalf of SB 212. I am a pharmacist, and I took six long and hard years of college at KU to get that doctorate degree. In the course of my training, we were taught how to give vaccines. We were taught that vaccines are safe and in the best public interest. We were even taught about persuading those who have hesitations about vaccines. But, strangely as I think of it, we were not taught the ingredients of vaccines.

Nevertheless, I left school believing vaccines were safe and effective. I am a Christian. I am prolife. My kids attended Christian school. I definitely knew that some people had a problem with vaccines, and I never could figure out why. I remember thinking about it. Someone told me it had to do with being poked with a needle. I always thought that was dumb. Never, ever did I hear that most vaccines are grown in the propagated cells of aborted fetuses. But it is true.

As I said, I am prolife. So prolife that when the morning after pill came onto the market, I would not dispense it and would refer the customer to another pharmacist. This should be screamed by the Catholic Church. Evangelicals should be shouting it from rooftops. Two babies were aborted and to this day, we, our children, are being injected with products grown in their cells.

It's hard to believe that one person can add vaccines to a child's requirements. One person who may or may not have an agenda has this power. At the very least, it should go through congressional oversight.

A few words on the COVID "vaccines" because I heard they may be added to the list. These three vaccines, which is not really a good name for two of them, are still experimental. We do not have any idea of the long term risks, although speculation includes loss of fertility making it especially scary for a child or teenager to receive it. As of March 12, 2021, according to VAERS (our vaccine adverse reporting system in the United States), 1421 people have died from one of the vaccines and 31,179 have had a specific adverse event. It is estimated that only 10% of adverse events with vaccines are reported as some do not think to associate the event with the shot. As I said, two of them are from a new category, mRNA, untested as a sort of gene therapy and possibly able to permanently change DNA. The third, Johnson & Johnson, is grown in the fetal cell matrix. All of this is for an illness that at its worst has a recovery rate of 97%. All of this is for an illness that many (most?) of us had over the past year and studies show antibodies persist for an estimated 10 years to a lifetime. Why would someone want the vaccine if they knew these numbers?

This is why I support SB 212 and want to see it voted on. Thank you for listening.

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