

To whom it may concern:

I am writing to strongly oppose House Bill 3063 which would remove all nonmedical exemptions to vaccines in children. I am a mother of two, a biologist, and a concerned citizen. I am not an "anti-vaxxer". I am pro-informed consent.

I believe it is critically important to retain our right to choose which invasive medical procedures we undertake, and those that our children undertake. Requiring that every child receive EVERY vaccine does not take into account individual and family health, risks, and genetics. It also does not take into account very real concerns that parents have with the bloated CDC vaccination schedule. There have been no studies comparing the health of vaccinated to unvaccinated children. Vaccinating carries risk. The National Vaccine Injury Compensation Fund has paid out billions of dollars in damages to families of children injured by vaccines. It should be up to parents, in consultation with their doctors, to weigh the pros and cons of the risks and benefits of vaccines, and the diseases they are intended to prevent.

I am horrified at the thought that my children may be denied public schooling simply because we as a family choose to forego one or more vaccinations for our children. Not only will the public school system miss out the participation of two bright children, but also two active, involved parents. We have already decided that we will never be moving to California due to the draconian vaccination law there...I hope that we do not have to leave Oregon.

Sincerely,

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