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Hello,

I am writing to tell you that I oppose HB 3063, the bill to end all non-medical vaccine exemptions for Oregon schoolchildren. I believe parents should retain their rights to refuse vaccinations without being coerced, and I believe all children should have access to an education regardless of vaccination status. It is against our human rights to strip us of the choice to undergo a medical procedure. Where there is a risk, there must always be a choice.

Only 2.7% of Oregon schoolchildren currently hold a philosophical or religious exemption, meaning that scientifically we already have high community immunity to disease. Therefore, there's no reason to take away parental rights to those using non-medical exemptions.

There are many reasons parents use those exemptions. Perhaps their child has had a reaction to a vaccination that doesn't qualify for a medical exemption, and so they choose to not longer use that vaccine, even if they use others. Perhaps they are using a spaced out or reduced schedule. They may be a member of a religion (such a Jehovah's Witness), which is morally opposed to the use of vaccination. For my household personally, we choose not to vaccinate because of our religious beliefs and our personal beliefs with what ingredients are currently in these vaccinations. The most concerning aside from the aluminum, formaldehyde, mercury, polysorbate 80, etc, is the aborted fetal cells as well as animal DNA.

There is a lot of gray area that the exemptions allow while still keeping every child healthy and vaccination rates high. I implore you

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do so some of your own research, but I hope you do not rush into a decision on bill HB 3063.

I hope you will not support this bill.

Thank you for reading,

Sincerely,

**Malyssa Hamric**