

To the Oregon Legislature:

I strongly oppose HB 3063 which erodes the freedoms of families who choose not to vaccinate their children. I have five children, and we have chosen, through much research and consideration, not to vaccinate. I am insulted that HB 3063 would require parents to complete a "vaccine educational module" or to pay for a doctor's visit to have the doctor educate us as to "the risks and benefits of immunization that is consistent with information published by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention and the contents of the vaccine educational module approved by the authority..." We are not ignorant of the risks, and we are not uneducated.

Oregon once was a liberal state where people were allowed the freedoms to choose as they see fit, but that era appears to be over. "Vaccine educational module" and "approved by the authority" are phrases that do not reflect the libertarian freedoms Oregon once espoused. I support a parent's choice to vaccinate or not to vaccinate his or her children. I oppose this bill because the body of my child belongs to my child and not the government. Please do NOT support this bill which takes away parental rights and medical freedoms.

Oregonians are smart. After all, we elected you, didn't we? We can make these medical decisions ourselves, without being strong-armed by our state government.

Please vote NO on HB 3063.

Sincerely,
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