I am writing to urge you to vote NO on HB 3063 (the removal of religious and personal exemptions for all vaccines). I say this as a mother with four vaccinated children. This bill has nothing to do with pro-vaccine/anti-vaccine and everything to do with medical freedom, bodily autonomy and government overreach.

Oregon is one of the most pro-choice states in the nation; "My body, my choice!" has been the rallying cry since before I was born in 1985. "The government should stay out of what should be a private decision between a woman and her doctor" is another phrase I have heard many, many times. Why does that only apply to abortion, then? Why is it NOT okay for the government to tell a woman what to do with her fetus, but okay to tell her what to do with that fetus' same body a few years down the road?

Today, it is vaccines; tomorrow, what will it be? Forced sterilization for the mentally ill and physically handicapped? Microchips to determine citizenship? Mandated chemotherapy when one wants to try alternative treatments? Government has NO right to tell me what to do with my or my children's bodies!

Stay true to your Oregon roots and nix/kill/banish to the trash heap of history this horrendous idea of mandatory vaccines. And remember, my children are all vaccinated. I am not concerned about the vaccines; I am concerned about the government overreach.

Sincerely,

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