

Monday your child is engaged at home and thriving at school, and on Tuesday your child starts having tantrums and stops communicating. And it never stops. They get moved out of class and into special needs schooling. They see behavioral psychologists who can't treat them effectively because they don't know the real diagnosis. As a parent, your child is gone; they have no path to wellness. It detracts from your other child, who doesn't understand; it strains your marriage because no one know how to help; you cut back on work hours to provide extra care; finances get strained because your seeing specialists that aren't covered by insurance. Every holiday is different now, your children begin falling behind, you lose hope.

But this legislation can stop that from becoming a reality for families.

PANDAS and PANS are diseases that tear families apart. The incredible stress it puts on a family, in addition to the child who contracts the disease, are almost beyond measure. The cost, the time, the frustration and loss of hope can ruin a family and put a child's life on an destructive arc that doesn't have to happen. By making the care and treatment of these infection-borne diseases covered and thus available to these families, you could be saving them from immense stress and financial ruin.

Pass House Bill 2390, and save these families from ruin and these children from a future without a fair chance at love and success.