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To all distinguished members of the Children's & Public Health Committee,

I STRONGLY OPPOSE ANY AND ALL LEGISLATION THAT WOULD RESTRICT A PARENT'S RIGHT TO RELIGIOUS VACCINE EXEMPTIONS.

Reasons to oppose this bill:

- **This legislation discriminates against families with sincere religious beliefs.** My Pro-life beliefs stand. I cannot be against abortion but utilize a product derived from it, or knowingly support and industry that profits from it. When someone tells me, I have to inject my children with a product such as this, you better believe I have a problem with it. OPEN LETTER TO LEGISLATORS REGARDING FETAL CELL DNA IN VACCINES - https://www.informedchoicewa.org/wp-content/uploads/2019/04/web2.SCPI_Deisher.OpenLetter.pdf
- **This legislation would discriminate against healthy children and not permit them to attend public school. I would hope that this legislative body is prepared to reimburse families thousands in tax dollars, so that they can attend alternate schools and suffer the financial burden when the willfully employed must quit their job to homeschool their child.**
- **The current law is working.** After the state released a school-by-school vaccine data information many panicked. Yet, despite the inaccurate reporting and the fact that higher rates in some schools only meant they had a smaller population. Many are magnet schools and special education schools. The Connecticut vaccination rate is still currently at >97.5% when we do the math of the recent information released, we are still way above "herd immunity status." Religious and medical exemptions combined are at only 2.1%, which is on target to the national median of 1.8%.
As surveyed by the CDC – Connecticut is well above
<https://www.cdc.gov/mmwr/volumes/66/wr/mm6640a3.htm>
- **There is no state interest nor is there a crisis, emergency or outbreak.** The media circus has pushed the pharmaceutical narrative and has zero to do with public health. And, circumventing the legislative process by calling an emergency bill is ludicrous.
What was the chance that you would die of the Measles before the MMR vaccine was introduced?
Answer: 1:500,000
What is the chance that you will be struck by lightning in your lifetime?
Answer: 1:12,000

How many have died of the measles regardless of yearly “outbreaks in the last 15 years?”

Answer: **Zero**, they are taking vitamin A

What is the death rate from measles vaccine in the US?

Answer: As of November 30, 2018, there have been [459](#) related deaths, more than [93,179](#) reports of measles vaccine reactions, hospitalizations, and injuries following measles vaccinations reported to the federal Vaccine Adverse Events Reporting System (VAERS). Vaccine package inserts warn of the risk of brain damage, life-threatening allergy, and death and no one knows in advance whom a vaccine will harm because there is no testing to determine risk.

- **Vaccine makers and healthcare providers who administer them bear zero liability for vaccine injuries and death.**

- **The idea that unvaccinated individuals pose a health risk to others is unsupported in the medical literature.** Statement by M.D.s Physicians for Informed Consent.

Vaccines: What About Immunocompromised Schoolchildren?

<https://physiciansforinformedconsent.org/wp-content/uploads/2018/06/Immunocompromised-Schoolchildren-RGIS.pdf> –

- **Fact: Vaccinated individuals can pose a higher risk to public health due to a process known as shedding.** Scientific evidence demonstrates that individuals vaccinated with live virus vaccines such as MMR (measles, mumps, and rubella), rotavirus, chicken pox, shingles, and influenza can shed the virus for many weeks or months afterward and infect the vaccinated and unvaccinated alike. <https://www.westonaprice.org/studies-show-that-vaccinated-individuals-spread-disease/>

Who should never be around anyone that was just administered a live vaccine?

“Those who are immunocompromised, those who are undergoing chemotherapy, those who have had a transplant, infants, and those with another active infection.”

<https://www.oncolink.org/frequently-asked-questions/coping-with-cancer/side-effects/exposure-to-people-after-they-had-a-vaccine;>

<https://www.cdc.gov/mmwr/preview/mmwrhtml/00023141.htm>

- **To protect them from the common cold, the majority of the immunocompromised kids are not in school. They also stay out of the grocery store and Target.**
- **Herd immunity is a myth. 80% of all adults are not caught up to the 72 recommended doses of the vaccines.** The last dose of the measles vaccines an adult received was in 1983. Vaccines wear off. No pandemic has occurred. I guess our immune systems are doing the job they were meant to do. And interestingly, a study of

plasma donors shows that the increase in measles virus antibody titers after vaccination lasts a whopping 150 days, while naturally acquired immunity lasts a lifetime. So, perhaps we should all get titers done and put this Herd Immunity myth to bed. See the study here. <https://academic.oup.com/jid/article/216/8/977/4084678>

- **The US Supreme Court recognizes vaccines to be “unavoidably unsafe”** and to cause injury and death in some recipients. The US Government has paid out more than \$4 billion to the victims of vaccine injury since 2018, with a maximum award of \$250,000 for death. Hundreds of thousands have reported an adverse reaction to vaccination to VAERS. <https://www.supremecourt.gov/opinions/10pdf/09-152.pdf>; <http://www.cdc.gov/vaccinesafety/ensuringsafety/monitoring/vaers/>

Back in February, an army of parents testified against HB7005 because we knew it is a slippery slope when legislators modify religious vaccine exemptions. We were promised during public hearings by Linehan and others that it was not their goal to remove exemptions altogether. However, it is quite clear that this has been an orchestrated event ever since Matt Ritter announced years ago that RE would be eliminated in Connecticut by 2020.

This is a fabricated measles crisis in which the bought media plays right into its hand. Around the entire vaccine discussion, it has been quite shady.

Taking away our religious exemption is fundamentally wrong and against our First Amendment rights. To take the fundamental human right away to decide whether or not to accept any form of drugs or procedures is inhuman. Please take into consideration fundamental human rights and decisions that everyone deserves to make for themselves and their children. Please take into account all the points mentioned above.

Informed consent is a freedom that should be respected. The thought of the government deciding that one size fits all and forcing it on people is not something that should not happen in a free nation!

Respectfully I am asking you to not allow this bill to move forward. I will pray that you keep the best interest of our freedoms when you make your decision.

Sincerely,

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