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Oppose HB 1391

Dear Committee and Chairperson:

Thank you for thoughtfully considering the disadvantages of the passage of this bill. I am a registered nurse, serving all 42 years of my career in this state while always keeping the patient at the center of my practice. This bill endangers people young and old. It threatens the development of a fetus and the health of a pregnant mother exposed to measles, it causes potential infection and death to an immunocompromised cancer patient, and can lead to unnecessary loss of life to those in skilled nursing facilities. It is DANGEROUS. Creating further barriers to evidence-based public health practices is not in the best interest of anyone.

As elected leaders, please protect the citizens of this state by encouraging safe vaccines and reporting. We do not know when the next pandemic will come, but as long as I am here, I will do everything I can to protect you and your loved ones.

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