

TESTIMONY OF DAVID M. CRANE

IN FAVOR OF HB 1519

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Thank you Chairman Ruby and all the members of the House Human Services Committee for the opportunity today to speak in favor of HB 1519. I also want to thank Representatives Rohr, Holle, Anderson, McCloud, Toman, and Frelich, and Senators Schaible, Weston, Clemens, Paulson, and Van Oosting, for sponsoring this bill.

I also want to thank interim HHS Director Dirk Wilke and his staff, including Dr. Tracy Miller, Dr. Grace Njau, and Molly Howell, for giving us an opportunity to explain this bill prior to this legislative session. A belated thank you to former director Wayne Salter for meeting with Rep. Rohr and me back in August when we first started working on this.

My name is David Crane. I hail from Mott, North Dakota where I have lived almost all of my life. I have practiced law there since 1982.

First, a little bit about myself. I graduated from Mott Lincoln High School in 1971 and then attended the University of North Dakota where received my BA through the Honors Program in 1975 and my MA from the Department of Sociology in 1977. After working in Bismarck for two years for a consulting firm, I then attended the University of Oregon School of Law, graduating in 1982. I then joined my father Charles Crane in the practice of rural law and became the third generation of Cranes to practice in Mott. My grandfather, Van H. Crane, first hung up his shingle in 1910.

My wife Peggy and I moved to Mott have four wonderful children and sixteen grandchildren.

My interest in vaccine safety was born during the COVID pandemic. With the benefit of hindsight, we now know the untold damage which the world suffered as a result of that outbreak and its aftermath was government inflicted. This pathogen originated from US and Chinese bioweapons research and most likely escaped from the lab in Wuhan China.<sup>i</sup> Our government planned for this pandemic and conducted simulated war-game exercises which then provided the script for handling the crisis.<sup>ii</sup> Mass vaccination with an experimental mRNA gene therapy product was the centerpiece of the plan. Dr. Fauci and others who promoted the vaccine knew, based the best available science at the time, that the mRNA injections would not offer sterilizing immunity and thus would not prevent infection or prevent the infected from spreading the disease.<sup>iii</sup> They also had good reason to believe that these injections would not be safe by any traditional standard of vaccine safety. Yet throughout the

ordeal, the CDC assured us that the mRNA injections are “safe and effective,” which flies in the face of mountains of evidence to the contrary.

This horrific experience laid bare how the vaccine sausage is made, but what do we now with this terrible knowledge? Certainly not continue business as usual when it comes to the public’s health. The simple, sad truth is that our pandemic experience proves that we cannot trust the CDC, FDA, and their allied agencies when it comes to vaccine safety. We come to this conclusion not simply because of their reprehensible conduct during the pandemic, but also because the whole system of vaccine development and approval has been shown to be corrupt and rife with conflicts of interest.<sup>iv</sup> Further exacerbating this situation is the fact that, since 1986 vaccine manufacturers have been shielded from civil liability for vaccine injuries and wrongful death.

It is therefore critical that our state develop its own capabilities in assessing the safety of vaccines after they have been rolled out. While the department cannot undertake complicated, long-term studies, it can analyze data already in its possession from which safety signals can be gleaned. The State maintains its electronic death registration system, so it has ready access to data for all persons who die in the state. It also maintains the North Dakota Immunization Information System for each vaccination given to the individuals. It is therefore possible to merge data from the death records with vaccination data so that, for each person who has died, we will have the individual’s vaccination status and information. From such records, we then can generate time-series cohort analysis summary reports which can help us detect vaccine safety signals.<sup>v</sup>

This legislation will require that the department maintain the death and vaccination records and publish quarterly summary reports. Why mandate publishing these reports? Because the public has a right to this information. The choice to get vaccinated or not, as with any medical treatment, must be based on informed consent, and the more information citizens have at their disposal the better.

Also testifying in favor today will be Dr. Alan Lindemann, Katie Vidmar, and Steve Kirsch.

In his nearly four decades as an obstetric physician, Dr. Alan has delivered more than 6,000 babies with no maternal mortalities! Still active, he now focuses on providing maternal health and wellness information so women can make decisions about their choices in healthcare. He served as a frontline physician during the COVID pandemic.

With a deep passion for empowering women, Katie E. Vidmar, draws upon over a decade of experience in the Pregnancy Center movement. As Executive Director of Connect Medical Clinic in Dickinson, ND, Katie guided the ministry to move locations, rebrand, and expand into sexual health and holistic women's health services.

She graduated Phi Beta Kappa from the University of North Dakota and holds a Masters of Theological Studies in Biotechnology and Ethics from the Pontifical John Paul II Institute for Studies in Marriage and Family, She resides in Bismarck, North Dakota with her husband Jeremy and their six children, who happen to be my grandchildren.

Our last witness will be Steve Kirsch, the Executive Director of the Vaccine Safety Research Foundation. He is a champion for vaccine safety data transparency and is the world's leading expert on using record level death and vaccination data and time-series cohort analysis in assessing vaccine safety. We worked with him extensively to develop this legislation.

Mr. Kirsch has a BS and MS degree from MIT in Electrical Engineering and Computer Science. Prior to his work on COVID, Steve was a serial entrepreneur and has founded eight high-tech companies.

When the COVID pandemic hit, Steve took a leave of absence from his company to start the COVID-19 Early Treatment Fund which funded clinical trials using repurposed drugs to treat COVID.

Steve and his family received the COVID injections when they were first released. But a month later, Steve started hearing stories of death and injury from his friends, so he started looking at the data . He quickly identified obvious fraud in the Pfizer clinical trial and huge safety signals in the VAERS system that could only be caused by a very dangerous vaccine. This led to his founding of the Vaccine Safety Research Foundation and his appearance here today.

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<sup>i</sup> See my articles “Fauci’s ‘Surprise Outbreak’ Was No Surprise” and “Get Ready for Disease X,” on file with this testimony as Exhibits A and B.

<sup>ii</sup> See “The COVID Plandemic,” on file with this testimony as Exhibit C.

<sup>iii</sup> See my letter to ND HHS dated 4/13/2023, on file with this testimony as Exhibit D.

<sup>iv</sup> HHS letter, page 6

<sup>v</sup> See August 1, 2024 Memo to Wayne Salter, filed with this testimony as Exhibit E.