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Support for HB1307, Relating to Service without Vaccinations

Two weeks ago I took our son to see the allergist at Sanford Health Clinic because our son is suffering from asthma symptoms and needed a check up. We were refused service because I would not allow my son to wear a mask. His temperature was fine and he was not experiencing any symptoms of illness. We left the clinic that day without seeing the doctor and have made other arrangements for an appointment at another clinic.

Many seem to feel that the CDC is an authority on medical information so I have taken this from their website concerning masks.

Who should not wear a mask

Masks should not be worn by

- Children younger than 2 years old
- Anyone who has trouble breathing
- Anyone who is unconscious, incapacitated or otherwise unable to remove the mask without assistance
- Wearing masks may be difficult for some people with sensory, cognitive, or behavioral issues. If they are unable to wear a mask properly or cannot tolerate a mask, they should not wear one, and <u>adaptations and</u> <u>alternatives</u> should be considered

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The reason that I want to tell you this experience our son and I had at a medical facility is to show you that even at a medical business our son was refused service from people who should have known better. The requirements of mask wearing in nearly every business in our area has greatly affected our lives in a negative way.

The covid-19 vaccine is an even more invasive requirement for service and for those of us that are unwilling to donate our bodies to medical research and become guinea pigs in this global

vaccine experiment, this requirement for service will pose an extreme burden on us. It is unconstitutional to discriminate against people when a business is a public accommodation. However, it has been shown to be the case that many businesses are unaware of this fact or simply ignore it because they know that the average person will not have the financial means to hire a lawyer and take them to court. I think it is a good idea to protect the citizens of North Dakota from being denied service because they have not taken the Covid-19 vaccine. The vaccine is not able to stop the spread of Covid-19 but is only given to reduce the symptoms of the illness if one contracts it.

Thank you for considering my written testimony. Please pass HB 1307.