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I am in favor of HB 1377

This bill would provide people with the ability to exempt out of a vaccine if the vaccine manufacturer does not meet specific requirements. I do believe that vaccine companies should be liable, held to a higher standard of safety testing and studies, and that the risk of infection should far out weigh the risks of the vaccine itself.

I also believe that if it is forced or mandated, than whoever requires it of you should be held accountable for any injury, loss, or expense you may incur due to the required vaccination.

Placebo safety testing. My biggest problem with placebo safety testing is that when the trial phases for a vaccines expire, whether it be 6 months or a year, the people in the study who received the placebo, or no vaccine, are then offered the vaccine. So the study ends there and there are no long term safety studies being done after that. How can we compare the side effects if there is nothing to compare it to? "It is unethical" they say. I say it is unknown for safety and unproven. Say it is unknown, but don't say it is "safe and effective". Rumor has it that the phase 3 trial participants for covid vaccines are being offered the vaccine and the trials are not even done yet. They have Emergency Use Authorization, but they are not FDA approved. Will manufacturers be able to tell us they are safe and effective even though a placebo safety study has never been finished?

Vaccine awareness has skyrocketed this year thanks to covid. I'm sure you had never thought of all the bills that came your way because of it. This is an issue that was near and dear to my heart long before covid.

Another issue is why unvaccinated children are a risk to vaccinated children. Health care officials want to know who is unvaccinated so they can deny services to those without vaccinations in case of an outbreak. If your child is vaccinated, and the vaccine is safe and effective, there should be no reason for worry. Healthy unvaccinated children are not a risk to your vaccinated child. According to



HIPPA, health information should be kept private. Should parents of vaccinated children know who the unvaccinated children are? Why are schools asked to be the vaccination police? Does their medical license warrant having those records on file? Should the DPI be able to withhold funding from schools based on their overall vaccine status?

The medical industry has come a long way. We have advances and treatments that we didn't have 100, or 50, or even 20 years ago. If the Brady Bunch wasn't worried about measles in the '70's, why should the parents and children be so worried about it today, in 2021?

Thank you for your time and serving our state in this capacity.

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