

PROPONENT of HB2498

Madam Chair Landwehr and the House Committee on Health and Human Services,

To even consider the mandate of something as potentially catastrophic as these ineffective, unsafe, unnecessary,^{1,2} but liability-free^{3,4,5} and very profitable⁶ new vaccines defies belief. Such arbitrary power must be checked before it's used, we have too many examples of the fallibility of the individual with one-size-fits-all healthcare approaches, and far too much evidence to support my opening sentence, however absurd it may sound. Some people really do want to mandate this.

The matter should have been put to rest by the FDA advisory council, where the testimonies were overwhelmingly opposed to giving Covid vaccines to children because of the disproportionate risk to benefit ratio.^{7,8,9} Children and teenagers are at very little risk of complications from Covid, unlike the vaccines.^{1,2} The media is currently working overtime to convince us that healthy children having strokes, heart attacks, and blood clots is either normal, or being caused solely by Covid.¹⁰ The spike protein has been proven not to stay in the vaccine injection site as was originally claimed.¹¹ Adverse event injury and death reports for every reporting system are the highest on record by far, and those are severely under-reported.^{12,13} VAERS deaths went from an average of 150/year to 22,000 in 2021.¹⁴ The vaccines don't prevent catching or spreading Covid, so there is no argument that vaccinating children protects others.¹⁵ It would be unethical to risk their health for the benefit of high-risk individuals, even if they did give that protection. There is also some evidence to suggest that vaccination is driving the variants.^{16,17}

While I morally and intellectually object to subjecting children to these significant risks for short lived protection against a disease that poses almost no threat to them, I couldn't ask for legislation to bar parents from doing so, being against my libertarian nature. I bristle at the mention of mandating such risks be taken by everyone who uses a "public service" that we are all forced to pay for through taxation. I hope that many people would remove their children from public schooling if such a mandate was ever handed down by an out of control health secretary, but some would be coerced into taking unwanted risks, and could very well end up injured or dead as a result. This bill would protect them from this particular vaccine, though it appears to leave the door open for future "emergency use" vaccines. The risk of a healthy child dying of Covid is virtually nil, and those with co-morbidities remain at liberty to take whatever precautionary measures they see fit.

While I support the religious exemption for the other vaccines, I would like an amendment to guarantee acceptance of any exemption request without subjecting the parents or child to questioning. That power could be arbitrarily abused by officials who may act emotionally on this politically-charged topic. Our children deserve the same protection as afforded the rest of us by the broad religious protections of Title VII of the Civil Rights Act,¹⁸ as well as HB2001 signed into law in November.¹⁹ The language from SB398 could be used.²⁰ The First Amendment to the Constitution is very clear on religious freedom, and we should not be subjected to interrogation about our sincerely held religious beliefs. Frankly, these are very personal beliefs and are none of anyone's business.

I have many credible references in my written testimony to support my statements. Thank you for your time and consideration.

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