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Dear Sirs,

We are writing in regards to proposed bill IRRC #3146 & 3147 with great concern for the eroding of parental rights and authority regarding these proposed vaccine bills.

We oppose the decrease of the provisional period for student enrollment from 240 days to 5 days.

We also opposed to the Proof of natural immunity for Chicken Pox .

We strongly oppose the addition of the Meningococcal vaccine for students entering 12th grade. The addition of this vaccine is not only unnecessary but would significantly raise costs and risks that far outweigh any possible benefit. The disease is extremely rare and the possible side effects listed in the package inserts are real risks parents deserve the right to reject for their children. This vaccine is readily available to anyone who wants it.

We also oppose vaccinating children with the Pertussis vaccine, for kindergarten admission. There are currently outbreaks of pertussis among fully vaccinated populations and as the parents of a child who suffered a severe reaction to this shot, contacted the disease anyhow, and also needed to undergo two brain surgeries which we believe were related to the vaccine side effect, we believe families have the right to consider family history and predisposition to negative reactions to this vaccine and reject it if they so choose.

We oppose the DOH proposing to edit the current regulations by eliminating separate listings for measles, mumps, rubella, tetanus, diphtheria, and pertussis vaccines that are currently most commonly consumed as combination shots, and to be listed in the regulations in their combination forms - MMR and TDaP. Evidence of Immunity is different for some of the vaccines and the proposed regulations are unclear.

We believe that all antigens should be listed individually. This will simplify the amendment process should these combinations change in the future. I also want to ensure accuracy in data collection and publication. Some of these vaccines are still available singularly, and so listing each antigen individually is best and should not be changed. Each disease should individually list what can be given as evidence of immunity.

We ask that our requests be heard and considered on this many issues.

Thank you for your time and consideration,

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