

HB0087 Public Health- Immunizations- Minor Consent (Access to Vaccines Act)

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Oppose

Honorable Members of the Committee,

My name is Jessica Bronico and I am a concerned mother in District #5. I am writing to you regarding HB0087 Public Health - Immunizations - Minor Consent (Access to Vaccines Act). Please oppose this bill!

This bill is misguided at best and complete government overreach at worst. I sometimes wonder if I am still living in the United States? Why is there an attempt to strip away parental rights at every chance? How can a CHILD make an *informed* medical decision within a 10-minute doctor visit? Or better yet, where exactly will this consent take place? At proposed in-school health clinics? This is completely unacceptable.

Just as one child may have a life- threatening reaction to peanuts, while many others do not, each child reacts differently to vaccines. They are not one size fits all. This is a decision that a parent and doctor should be discussing. Not a 16-year-old child busy thinking about what outfit they are wearing to prom. Do you think these kids will be doing research on the highly controversial HPV vaccine?? And who will monitor the child for side potential side effects? It is hard enough to motivate them to do their assigned homework each day! Do you think most 16-year-olds would know and be able to explain their detailed medical history, family medical history, contraindications, etc? They are not even trusted to VOTE at 16!! The idea of minor consent is outrageous.

Please do the right thing and oppose HB0087.

Respectfully,
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