

SB0135/HB0087

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Position: Oppose

I OPPOSE SB0135/HB0087 Public Health - Immunizations - Minor Consent (Access to Vaccines Act) will allow your minor child, age 16 and older to be vaccinated without parental consent.

These bills are egregious government overreach! Minors DO NOT have the ability to consent to, and fully understand informed consent, to a serious and unavoidably unsafe medical procedure, vaccines. The supreme court has ruled vaccines "unavoidably unsafe". In 1986 Congress passed the "National Childhood Vaccine Injury Act" which removed financial liability from vaccine manufacturers. The National Vaccine injury compensation program has paid out over \$4.1 BILLION for vaccine injuries and deaths since 1989. <https://childrenshealthdefense.org/wp-content/uploads/Undeniable-Vaccination-Facts-for-Legislators.pdf>

The CDC has a notice which describes: "Who Should NOT Get Vaccinated with these Vaccines? Because of age, health conditions, or other factors, some people should not get certain vaccines or should wait before getting them. Read the guidelines below for each vaccine."
<https://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/vpd/should-not-vacc.html>

Many of these on the childhood vaccine schedule include contraindications (although not limited to) such as:

- severe, life-threatening allergies.
- is a child or adolescent 2 through 17 years of age who is receiving aspirin or aspirin-containing products.
- Has a weakened immune system, or has a parent, brother, or sister with a history of hereditary or congenital immune system problems.
- Has gotten any other vaccines in the past 4 weeks.

Many of these contraindications would apply to OVER HALF of my family, friend's and acquaintance's children who are chronically ill, many with weakened immune systems including autoimmune disease and severe, life threatening allergies. Some of their family members also have auto immune system conditions. Many are also intellectually disabled, with autism, behavioral and learning disabilities. Their PARENTS are the only people who are able to make a qualified and educated decision to choose to vaccinate for certain infections considering their own medical & family

medical history. The language in these bills is horrific and disturbing, when considering these issues above. Such as...

(a) Subject to the provisions of this section, a parent may delegate verbally or in writing the parent's authority to consent to the immunization of a minor to any of the 18 following individuals, not in order of priority:

19 (1) A grandparent;

20 (2) An adult brother or sister;

21 (3) An adult aunt or uncle;

22 (4) A stepparent; or

23 (5) Any other adult who has care and control of the minor

(b) "If a parent verbally delegates the parent's authority to consent to the 25 immunization of a minor under this [subtitle] PART, the person delegated the authority 26 shall confirm the verbal delegation in writing and the written confirmation shall be 27 included in the minor's medical record. "

... The first four listed individuals are dreadful enough, considering such a serious medical intervention as vaccines, which carry risk of injury or death, but... ANY OTHER ADULT WHO HAS CARE AND CONTROL OF THE MINOR!!!! This would mean any adult caretaker, babysitter, teacher, etc, I'm assuming? The bills go on to list pages and pages of convoluted provisions including allowance for verbal consent of the parent, etc. How can that be verified? This is nonsense!

What sickens me the most, are the last provisions, in which the sponsors of the bills made sure to write in, which completely removes liability from the health care provider in case of adverse reaction resulting from factual errors in the health history or information given by the person to the health care provider! THIS IS WHY MAJOR HEALTH INTERVENTIONS TO VACCINATE SHOULD BE SOLELY THE RESPONSIBILITY OF THE PARENTS OR GUARDIAN AND NOT ANY MINOR OR THIRD PARTY!

(a) In the absence of willful misconduct or gross negligence, a health care provider 3 who accepts the health history and other information given by a person who is delegated 4 the authority to consent to the immunization of a minor under [§ 18-4A-02 or § 18-4A-03] 5 § 20-121 OR § 20-122 of this [subtitle] PART is not liable for an adverse reaction related 6 to an immunization of the minor resulting from factual errors in the health history or 7 information given by the person to the health care provider. 8 (b) Except for acts of willful misconduct or gross negligence, a person who 9 consents to the immunization of a minor under [§ 18-4A-02 or § 18-4A-03] § 20-121 OR 10 § 20-122 of this

[subtitle] PART, a health care provider licensed to practice in the State, 11 or a medical facility is not liable for damages arising from an immunization administered 12 to a minor as authorized under [§ 18-4A-02 or § 18-4A-03] § 20-121 OR § 20-122 of this 13 [subtitle] PART.

Please tell me how these bills will protect the following children, I'll reference below, if these bills are passed and these minors are able to consent to vaccines. Many are not capable as minors, to fully understand their medical history to consent to vaccines. Their PARENTS are the only people who have the complete understanding of the medial history of their own children! Some minors who are not mature and/or intellectually disabled, may be susceptible to pharmaceutical advertising and possibly subject themselves to duplicate vaccines, contraindicated vaccines, or live vaccines, which could harm them or potentially be fatal to them! I have personally seen and heard pharmaceutical advertisements for the influenza and HPV vaccine on Pandora and Facebook. Teens are targeted as well, especially for the HPV vaccine. Pharmaceutical companies also use a tactic called astroturf and manipulation to surreptitiously target and advertise, as Sharyl Attkisson reports here on Ted Talks. <https://sharylattkisson.com/2015/02/propaganda-and-astrotuf-recognize-it/>

1. I have two living teenage family members with autoimmune disease. One has Crohn's and the other has autoimmune thyroiditis. Another family member has passed away recently. His name was Matty. My cousin Matty was in his early twenties. He had severe rheumatoid arthritis. If you were to look at him you might think he was eight years old. That is how crippled he was. Ultimately, he acquired MRSA which he couldn't fight off and passed away from complications. If any of these teenagers were to consent to a live vaccine, it could severely injure them or kill them. In the future, if their children were to consent, as minors, without full understanding of their family history, they could be susceptible to auto immune disease, injury, or death.
- 2.. I have one family member on the autism spectrum and know MANY friend's and acquaintance's children with ASD (autism spectrum disorder)... Too many to count and counting! It's heartbreaking! These children, some minimally disabled, some severely disabled, DO NOT and WILL NEVER have the capacity to consent to any kind of medical procedures, including vaccines.
- 3.. My friend recently had to pull her son out of school, rent a temporary residence in ocean city, and move herself and two children. Thankfully, she works from home for Comcast and is able to do this. Her 10 year old son has eczema and life threatening allergies (autoimmune conditions), so severe, he has open wounds on most of his body. She has to carry an EpiPen. He wears socks on his arms and a mask. He had experienced some relief during an Easter vacation on the shore, so she decided to move there to try it out. He has so many different food/environmental allergies that he could experience anaphylaxis if he were to get a flu vaccine cultured in egg protein. How would these bills protect him from this? According to the bill language, the doctor wouldn't be liable! He could die!

4. My friend has two boys. The older one is 13 years old with tics, behavior disorder and a major neurological learning delay. He's 12 and reads on a 1st grade level. He was also recently diagnosed with type 1 diabetes, an autoimmune disease. He CANNOT ever consent to medical treatment without his parents! He probably won't ever be able to survive on his own. Her youngest is 2 and has already been diagnosed with speech delay and sensory swallowing disorder... not yet enough symptoms to be ASD. He has also been admitted into the hospital for digestive disorders. Will these children be intellectually advanced enough to consent to vaccines as minors?

5. This same friend's various direct neighbor's kids have among them... idiopathic kidney disease, severe speech delay & one child still potty training in diapers at 6 years old. The child with idiopathic kidney disease is exempt from vaccines. What would happen if she were to succumb to big pharma advertising tactics and consent to a vaccine without her parent's consent or She could be severely injured or die!

6. My close friend has three children. Her middle child, a 10 year old boy has severe digestive disorders and severe learning delay. He did not speak outside of his immediate family until recently. He reads at a 1st grade level.

7. I have a friend with custody of her two grandchildren. Her granddaughter has behavioral issues. Her grandson has life threatening environmental allergies. She cannot bring them into my house because I have pet birds.

8. One of my husband's co-worker has a 2 year old son who began having seizures a few months ago after his flu vaccine this past fall. He has had 3 or 4 at this point and has been hospitalized with inconclusive cause.

9. I have a friend who's 10 year old son was recently admitted to the hospital and diagnosed with Crohn's.

10. Schools are having to modify classrooms for all autistic rooms!

There's more! My list gets longer every month whom I personally know! There is an epidemic of neurologically/developmentally disabled and chronically ill children. Many are now becoming adults. Who is going to care for these intellectually/neurologically disabled and chronically ill adults. What will the COST be to our economy and society? The childhood vaccine schedule is now 72 doses and counting by age eighteen. The CDC just this year now recommends TWO doses of flu vaccine, 4 weeks apart, for ages 6 months to age 8, because it is hardly effective... under 20% effective every year, for that age group. The live flu mist was not effective at all, 0%! Within the last 10 years pregnant women are given Tdap and flu vaccines (never tested on pregnant women). How can we trust the our government regulatory agencies like the CDC and FDA when there is a revolving door with big pharma? Julie Gerberding, was the CDC director who oversaw the study that supposedly proved the thimerosal in Merck's MMR doesn't cause autism, studying only one ingredient and one vaccine.

She's was also implicated in hiding corruption with the Merck whistle blower, William Thomson who admitted to trashing data (quite literally in a trash can) along with his colleagues, which proved increased autism risk among African Americans who had the MMR vaccine. Also, during this time as head of the CDC, she was responsible for approval of Merck's Gardasil vaccine. Rep. Bill Posey Called for an Investigation of the CDC's MMR research fraud. In the following CSPAN link, he brings former CDC researcher and now Whistle blower, Dr. Bill Thompson's letter regarding significant files they omitted and destroyed to avoid reporting any significant race effects in their study. <https://www.c-span.org/video/?c4546421/user-clip-rep-bill-posey-calling-investigation-cdcs-mmr-reasearch-fraud>

Why hasn't William Thompson been called to testify in congress yet? Soon after, Julie Gerberding is awarded a position with Merck as head of their vaccine division! She has just recently cashed in over 10 million in Merck stock options. To date, she's cashed out over 16 million! In 2019 the former head of the FDA, Scott Gottlieb, was awarded a top position with Pfizer on its board of directors. HMMMMMMMM, WHAT IS GOING ON HERE?

Please consider the ramifications if these pair of bills are passed. The health care providers are not liable for injury!... the pharmaceutical companies are not liable for injury! This is complete insanity! I strongly oppose!

Thank you for reading my arguments and thank you for serving the interests of the public first and not the interests of the corrupt and criminal pharmaceutical companies and lobbies. I am pleading with you, if any of you legislators in Annapolis, have any integrity at all, you will get to the bottom of this public health epidemic and pass real legislation which limits the control of big pharma & health governmental overreach and keeps medical control in the hands of the adult parents, where it belongs.

Aug 14 2019 – RFK Jr. Albany NY after presenting case on the repeal of NY religious exemption. "All four of the companies who make the 72 vaccines, that are mandated for our children are all convicted criminals, serial felons. In the last 10 years those four companies have paid \$35 billion in penalties, fines and damages for breaking the law, defrauding science – regulators, falsifying science and for killing 10,000's of people. Merck alone with one drug Vioxx, which was sold as a headache remedy, killed 500,000 people in this country and they knew it was going to kill them. It requires a kind of cognitive dissonance for us to believe and these democratic legislators to believe the same company that are violating the law and giving us bad drugs and all their pharmaceutical – medical products, have somehow found Jesus when it comes to vaccines."

Respectfully,
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