Oppose SB 210

Dear Chair Beidle and Members of the Committee:

There is no emergency to justify the additional burden on the paramedics to administer specific vaccines. It is well known that many injuries associated with receipt of vaccines are due to improper administration.

Administration of vaccines to patients without full knowledge of their medical conditions, assessing contraindications, or evaluating the condition of the patient following the administration of the vaccine significantly increases the risk. Adverse reactions may be undetected and unreported to their primary care provider. It becomes especially critical in the time of emergency or distress - the more likely times when the paramedics may treat patients.

Please reject unneeded emergency measures.

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