



Bill number: HB 0076 Cross-filed with SB 0018

Title: Health Occupations - Pharmacists - Administration of Vaccines

Hearing Date: 2/1/2024

Position: **OPPOSE**

Committee: Health and Government Operations

Moms for Liberty Maryland is requesting an Unfavorable Report for HB 0076.

This bill will allow a “caregiver” to take someone’s child to a pharmacy for a vaccine. The vague language of this bill puts the parent’s fundamental right to make healthcare decisions for their child in jeopardy. Furthermore, this bill puts a child’s health at risk. Administering vaccines to children is not the same as administering to adults. Pharmacists do not have the time or training to properly assess each child for contraindications to the various vaccines on the market for children. The Federal National Childhood Vaccine Injury Act of 1986 removes liability from providers of childhood vaccinations, therefore, health care decisions for minor children are best decided between a parent and their trusted pediatrician. The pediatrician is the safest provider to administer vaccines to children. For these reasons, **Moms for Liberty opposes HB 0076/SB 0018 and requests an Unfavorable Report.**

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