

Dear Committee Members,

I ask that you **SUPPORT** HB0799 for the following reasons:

1. As evidenced by the spread of SARS-CoV-2 variant omicron, vaccines do not offer durable or sterilizing protection. Thus, it does not make sense to require these products as a condition of employment. Looking at frequently asked questions as it relates to the Pfizer vaccine, it is clear that the vaccines do not stop spread. (<https://www.fda.gov/emergency-preparedness-and-response/coronavirus-disease-2019-covid-19/pfizer-biontech-covid-19-vaccine-frequently-asked-questions#:~:text=Most%20vaccines%20that%20protect%20from,will%20reduce%20suc h%20transmission> - Q: If a person has received the Pfizer-BioNTech COVID-19 Vaccine, will the vaccine protect against transmission of SARS-CoV-2 from individuals who are infected despite vaccination? A: Most vaccines that protect from viral illnesses also reduce transmission of the virus that causes the disease by those who are vaccinated. While it is hoped this will be the case, the scientific community does not yet know if the Pfizer-BioNTech COVID-19 Vaccine will reduce such transmission.)
2. Experts estimate that about ¾ of American have had some variant of SARS-Cov-2 and thus have antibodies to the virus. Meaning, their immune system already recognizes the spike protein and will instigate once it encounters it. Once again, with so many Americans exposed, vaccination paperwork does not provide any form of protection and should not be required. (<https://www.latimes.com/world-nation/story/2022-02-17/estimated-73-us-immune-omicron-covid>)
3. Marginalizing individuals that do not have the vaccine, but have natural immunity, is a form of discrimination. Natural immunity has been proven to be durable for at least 20 months (<https://jamanetwork.com/journals/jama/fullarticle/2788894>), while vaccinations fade at the 6 months mark (<https://www.science.org/doi/10.1126/science.abj4176>).
4. While this bill would protect those in government positions, this bill should be extended to all individuals.

With all that we know now given the scientific literature published, it is clear that the vaccines for SARS-CoV-2 should not be a condition of employment. I ask for your SUPPORT for HB0799.

Thank you,  
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