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HB0799-State and Local Government – COVID-19 – Vaccination by Choice Act -Support

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My name is Kristy Hutzell from Rohrersville, MD. I have proudly served the great State of Maryland as an employee for the past 23 years. During my tenure I have felt like a valued employee, that is until the State of Maryland began mandating vaccines as a condition of continued employment.

I am writing today to show my SUPPORT for HB0799. Every State employee, and person in this Country for that matter, has the right to their own medical freedom without the threat or fear of losing employment. What goes in my body should be a decision made solely by me and not the State or Federal Government.

For the following reasons, I SUPPORT the Vaccination by Choice Act:

 According to the CDC's VAERS (Vaccine Adverse Event Reporting System), as of November 2021, there were 837,595 reported vaccine adverse reactions. Of that number, 123,744 were deaths/hospitalizations/life threatening events.

- No knowledge of the long-term effects of the vaccine or vaccine ingredients.
- None of the vaccines stop the transmission of the COVID-19 virus. Even CDC Director Rochelle Walensky stated, "What they CAN'T DO anymore IS PREVENT TRANSMISSION".
- Vaccine Manufacturers are protected by the Federal Government via the PREP Act and the CICP from any liabilities associated with injury or death as a result of the vaccine.

The bottom line is I should not have to be coerced into any vaccine/medical procedure against my will in order to stay an employee of the State of Maryland, nor should I be subjected to repeated weekly testing as a condition of continued employment. My sincerest hope is that this bill passes, and that all State employees are afforded the right to make the decision on their own to become vaccinated.

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