Opposition to SB372 – Health Occupations – Pharmacists – Administration of Vaccines

I am writing in opposition to SB372 as children should have vaccinations approved first by their primary care physician under their parent's or guardian's presence. Pharmacists do not have readily available access to children's medical records, and because of this, they have no indication whether a child may suffer an adverse reaction to a vaccination that they administer to a child.

The state of emergency is over regarding Covid. There are no other health emergencies warranting that a pharmacist intervene in the administration of any vaccines that a child's primary care physician cannot do him/herself. If a child has no primary care physician assigned due to a variety of reasons including parent/guardian lack of insurance, free health clinics provide in house physicians to administer any necessary vaccines for children.

This bill is yet one more demonstration of the extreme overreach by state government to unnecessarily interfere into families' lives for the benefit of profits made by the pharmaceutical industries.

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