OPPOSE Senate Bill 372

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This bill would open the door for pharmacists to administer influenza vaccine to children at least 9 years of age without parental consent and true informed consent. A 9-year-old has no capacity to decide if they need influenza vaccine. Most 9-year-olds have good immune system and don't need a influenza vaccine either. Parents and guardians should decide what vaccinations their children should receive. If a doctor prescribes a vaccine, and parents agree to that, the doctor should administer the vaccine.

The bill would allow pharmacists to order and inoculate children age 3 and over or age 11 and over certain authorized vaccines listed in the CDC and Prevention's Recommended Immunization Schedule or approved by the FDA including CV19 EUA vaccine without parental consent. This is dangerous and a serious breach of parental rights.

Pharmacists are not doctors or nurses. They are not the doctor of the children knowing their medical history. Pharmacists have a lot of responsibilities, adding this to their busy schedule is not a good idea. Recently I received a medication from my pharmacy which my doctor prescribed. At home when I wanted to take the medication, I noticed that the information didn't contain instruction on how many tablets to take per day. Since I couldn't reach the pharmacy nor my doctor, I needed to find the information myself on the internet. This was a simple case. What if a busy pharmacist is administering a vaccine to a 3-year-old? Any small mistake can cause serious harm for that child.

It was also filed as an "Emergency Bill" but there is no emergency. Covid is over.

Please vote against this bill which is trying to open the door of children being inoculated outside of doctor's offices and without parental consent.