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My name is Jill Kapper. I'm a lifelong resident of Maryland, an outspoken health freedom advocate and most importantly, a mother. I'm testifying today to oppose SB628 because it's dangerous, inappropriate & unnecessary, among other things.

It's dangerous and inappropriate because we're hoping to implement a one-size fits all mass vaccination infrastructure which attempts to bypass the process of parental informed consent. Children can already receive free healthcare services, including vaccines, through existing healthcare infrastructure where the parents and guardians ARE present.

It's unnecessary because children will need to see their pediatrician regardless. Schools are struggling to provide the basics of education as it is. They're overburdened and couldn't possibly take on these additional tasks.

We'd all agree that it's our responsibility to protect children. This should be obvious. Please take a step back to consider how damaging bills like this could be and work with us, rather than against us. Thank you for listening.

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