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Delegate Josselyn Pena- Melnyk

Chair

House Health and Government Operations Committee

HB 699- State and Local Government- Proof of Vaccination for Employees and Applicants for Employment- Prohibition (Vaccination by Choice Act)

Position: FAVORABLE with Amendment

Dear Chair Pena- Melnyk and Members of the Committee:

Thank you for the opportunity to voice my strong support for **HB 699- State and Local Government- Proof of Vaccination for Employees and Applicants for Employment- Prohibition (Vaccination by Choice Act)**

I am firmly against the requirement of any vaccinations of any kind for the purposes of employment, elementary, secondary or higher education. Vaccine decisions should be made by the parent for minor children and the individual if 18 or over. Most vaccines have been proven to be most ineffective. The flu vaccine only has an average efficacy of 40%-60% on a good year. The covid vaccine has been proving to cause heart related issues. The risks of these choices should not be weighted by the Boards of Education, Colleges Boards/Administrators and employers. This would include the health care sector as well.

Sincerely,

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