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House Committee on Human Services
115 State Street
Montpelier, VT 05633

Dear Representatives:

My name is Tricia Gustafson and I reside in South Burlington, Vermont. I am a communication consultant and a parent of a 10 year old girl who attends 4th grade at a private school. Currently, I am particularly concerned with education and healthcare issues that greatly affect the quality of life for Vermont families, the future of Vermont children, and ultimately the future of Vermont. It is time to raise the standards and bring things into balance, in a conscious manner.

I oppose H98, Reportable Disease Registries and Data, and believe it should be dropped. At the very least, it should be amended so that parents must give permission for their child's immunization, cancer or HIV status to be collected in a registry. Regardless of what the information will show, this is private information and there needs to be strict penalties for misusing or sharing registry information.

Thank you for your time, and I appreciate your consideration regarding my request.

Sincerely,



Tricia L. Gustafson