

Dear house committee on judiciary,

Once again, you are presented with a controversial bill - pages of pages of a new law that could threaten families.

My concern in regards to the S9 bill, also known as the "failure to protect" bill, are multiple.

As you know, the Senate voted unanimously to pass it. Importantly, Senator Sears spoke to concerns about this law - more specifically, about this law being used to investigate and prosecute parents who opt out of one or more vaccines. He said he could not imagine that a Prosecutor in VT would prosecute a parent for not getting a measles shot. **However, this only shows how little he knows of the hostile climate we live in. Think about the threat of removing philosophical [and to come soon, religious] exemptions!** Although his comment is on record: **that the intent of the bill is not to go after parents who don't vaccinate, this is not enough.**

Here are the very important reasons why legally protecting the right to informed consent to vaccination without penalty by the state needs to be a priority.

- Vaccines are pharmaceutical products that cause injury and death for some. [The United States Government has paid out more than \\$3 billion dollars to vaccine victims. Many more people have adverse reactions.](#) Nobody can predict who will be harmed from vaccines.
- Vaccines manufacturers and the doctors who administer vaccines [are completely shielded from liability for vaccine injuries and deaths.](#)
- [Vaccines fail sometimes where even fully vaccinated people become infected.](#) Nobody can predict who will or will not respond to vaccines.
- [Children today receive 69 doses of vaccines for 16 different viral and bacterial illnesses](#) which more than doubles the government childhood schedule of [34 doses of 11 different vaccines in the year 2000.](#) A vaccine exemption is filed regardless of whether the exemption is filed for one dose or all doses. 35 doses and 5 more unique vaccines have been added to the schedule in the last 15 years. Those supporting forced vaccination are being dishonest by not acknowledging the exploding vaccine schedule while sounding alarms over small increases in overall non-medical exemptions.
- [There are hundreds of new vaccines in development](#) including some of the following in clinical trials: HIV, herpes, E. coli, dengue fever, avian influenza, smallpox, tuberculosis, typhoid, norovirus, cholera,

smoking cessation, syphilis, and gonorrhea. If vaccine manufacturers and others who profit from forced vaccination convince legislators to take away our right to delay or decline a vaccine now, what will our future look like?

The NVIC's "Reforming Vaccine Policy and Law" guide has answers to the questions you may

have: <http://www.nvic.org/Vaccine-Laws/state-vaccine-requirements/Reforming-Vaccine-Policy—Law-Guide.aspx>.

This article may also provide some needed perspective on the Disneyland propaganda: "Measles in Disneyland: Third MMR Shot and Vaccine Exemption Ban?" by NVIC's President Barbara Loe Fisher which offers some illuminating insight into facts that need to be exposed about the California measles outbreak and other vaccine failures.

<http://www.nvic.org/NVIC-Vaccine-News/January-2015/measles-in-disneyland-third-mmr-shot-and-vaccine.aspx>

My concerns in regards to this bill apply to vaccination, but also to other parental choices that are made daily, that could be challenged in court.

For example: **the choice to have a homebirth**. In most cases, homebirth goes well, and when things don't progress well, women transfer. However, death happens at home too. **Death happens more often in hospital, but doctors rarely get investigated**. If you think I'm making this up, look back at this recent case of midwives being investigated here, in Vermont: nothing since 2004... **and suddenly THREE IN TWO YEARS?**

<https://www.sec.state.vt.us/media/457627/searchdiscipline.htm>

Across the country, babies are taken in custody because of homebirth - **even if there are no laws against the choice to have a homebirth. Even when the birth attendant has done nothing wrong!** Often, the parents have nothing to do with the prosecution, but **the state gets involved regardless.**

The language in this bill is suggestive and make parents guilty of crime too easily.

The Special Investigative Units that can be funded by private sources is extremely dangerous: what does this imply? Could Merk, or the OBGYN association fund these units in hope to find flaws?

This bill makes us fall into a police state that threatens the wellbeing of family. The motivation of this bill - the death of three children for parental neglect - is not warranted. **Instead of investigating the cases and narrowing down who failed their reporting duties**, we are putting all parents at risk of zealous criminal charges for personal choices that are absolutely legal.

We need this bill to protect children and families. The language needs to be changed to include that there should be no prosecution for vaccination exemption or for birth choices.

We elected you to represent our thoughts, feelings and actions. Being pushed around by financially invested third parties, such as pharmaceutical companies, who hire lobbyists to sell the next new medicine is not what I want my children to recognize my generation for.

Please - stay informed - read the attached documents, and don't sign our parental rights away!

Sent with love and gratitude

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