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I would like to oppose HB 208.
I personally have been injured by
a vaccine. I have two family
members with permanent vaccine
injuries. I have two personal
friends who were permanently
& severely injured by vaccines. I
would expand on all their
stories were I able to stay &
speak.

I realize the bill expresses
that parents would hear the
risks of vaccines however, having
the designated Committee decide
what risks are being shared is
like the fox guarding the
hen house. Those pro vaccines
will not share objective info.
I see no reason a parent who
conscientiously wishes to not have
their child vaccinated should be
required to listen to a biased
lecture by a doctor. For further
thoughts, please read my accompanying
paper or call me. Barbara Poushley
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I am asking you to vote no on HB 14-1288, making it more difficult to follow through with a personal belief exemption for vaccines. The bill is incorrect in its facts, does not produce herd immunity and infringes on the rights of parents to give the best care for their own children. My comments are documented and footnoted below.

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Declarations in HB 1288

Declaration A. *Vaccines are one of the greatest public health achievements and save 3 million children's lives a year, is not based on fact but emotional opinion.*

Vaccines are a potential cause of death or injury. We, as a people, do not ask a person when they turn 18, to put their lives at risk for others, by joining the military. Even less, should we ask that our children be put at risk to protect others around them. Requiring vaccines puts these children at risk in order to protect those around them.

Data shows that all diseases for which we vaccinate were dramatically decreased BEFORE the said vaccine was instituted.

Whooping cough vaccine was introduced in the 1940's and it had already decreased in incidence by 99%.. The vaccine did not cause the reduction.

<http://www.vaccinationcouncil.org/2013/10/15/the-flu-vaccine-something-to-sneeze-at-by-roman-bystriany>

In Kansas in 1986 , 1300 cases of Pertussis were reported . Of those, 90% were adequately vaccinated. Vaccine Bulletin, Feb 1987

Babies die at a rate 7 times greater than normal within 3 days of Pertussis shot, as stated by A.M. Walker, at a talk: Does Pertussis Vaccine cause Sudden Infant Death; Presentation for Institute of Medicine Workshop, on Possible Adverse Consequences of Pertussis and Rubella Vaccine. Washington DC May 14 1990.

Flu: Data shows a 5.5 increase in respiratory problems with increase of flu vaccine.

<http://cid.oxfordjournals.org/content/early/2012/03/13/cid.cis307>

The study also demonstrated that the vaccine resulted in recipients having 5.5 times more respiratory illness. Here's a partial breakdown of their results:

	Vaccinate d	Placebo (saline)
Any Seasonal Influenza	58	88
H1N1 (Swine Flu 'Pandemic')	58	0
Total Influenza Cases	116	88
Noninfluenza Viruses		
Rhinovirus (common cold)	230	59
Coxsackie/Echovirus	160	0

Other Respiratory Viruses	97	29
Total Other Viruses	487	88

There were a total of 116 influenza cases in the vaccinated group and 88 in the placebo group. (<http://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pubmed/22423139>)

Declaration B. *States that vaccines are cost effective and for every dollar spent vaccinating a child, we save more than \$10.*

This is incorrect information.

The Vaccine Compensation Fund has thus far paid out \$2,550,640, 666 in compensation to those injured by vaccines. <http://www.hrsa.gov/vaccinecompensation/data.html> and <http://www.vacfacts.info/national-vaccine-injury-compensation-program---payout-data.html>

The National Vaccine Information Center press release of Jan 27, 1999 states that a survey in 7 states revealed that only 28 of 159 doctors – 18%- said they inform the government when a child suffers a serious health problem following a vaccination. The same source further on states that in NY, only one doctor out of 49 reported adverse vaccine events to the government.

If only 18% are being reported, and we are paying out over \$2 Billion, this program is not saving us money.

Declaration C: *High rates of immunization are necessary to prevent spread of disease.*

Nearly all diseases we vaccinate for were eradicated BEFORE use of the vaccines.

Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences of the United States of America makes the claim that the vaccine fails to prevent individuals from getting the bacterial infection and fails also to prevent the disease being transmitted to other individuals: [Acellular pertussis vaccines protect against disease but fail to prevent infection and transmission in a nonhuman primate model](#) doi: 10.1073/pnas.1314688110 *PNAS November 25, 2013.*

Declaration G: *States with permissive procedures for exemptions have higher incidence of whooping cough*

fact: Oregon, Vermont and Michigan have the highest opt out rate and pertussis is decreasing (2012-2013 data -<http://www.cdc.gov/pertussis/images/pertussis-graph-2013-lg.gif>). Idaho and Illinois are the next states with the most opt out families for vaccinations, more than Colorado, and they were listed as decreasing also. Ibid.

We have a lower opt-out rate than the above states and our rate is increasing.

Declaration H: *not being vaccinated increases community risk.*

Research shows that being vaccinated does not decrease community risk.

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Again as above: US **Federal Drug Administration** in which the researchers say that whooping cough vaccine does not provide herd immunity and that the disease continues to be easily transmitted and flourishes. Child Health Safety has previously reported that whooping cough [pertussis] vaccine does not work: <http://childhealthsafety.wordpress.com/2013/11/28/whooping-cough-vaccine-does-not-work-says-us-fdas-research/>

We do not ask a person put his life at stake for someone else by requiring adults to join the

military and go to war. We definitely should not be requiring parents to put their children's lives at risk in a manner shown not to work anyway, to protect the community at large.

