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Democrats and Republicans alike are disappointed that you would join hands with Big Pharma to introduce House Bill 1288 restricting the right of personal choice in vaccinations. U.S. Representative Ron Paul, MD once stated "When we give government the power to make medical decisions for us, we, in essence, accept that the state owns our bodies." A scary thought for most people.

Your work on behalf of vaccination promotes the agenda of Voices for Vaccines, a mouthpiece for the pharmaceutical industry. Voices for Vaccines Board Member Dr. Paul Offit has made millions of dollars from his own vaccine patents and alliances with Merck. A Voice for Vaccines, and certainly a very rich one. He has written books slamming alternative medicine and natural supplements, while equating non-vaccinating parents to child abusers. Why wouldn't the 32,570 vaccine reactions and 153 deaths reported to the Federal Vaccine Adverse Events Reporting System (VAERS) for HPV vaccines alone (Gardasil and Cervarix, as of 2013) constitute child abuse?

Here is a very important fact. If a child is injured by a vaccine, the parents must file a suit in the U.S. Court of Federal Claims for government compensation. They rarely win. Pharmaceutical companies are exempt from lawsuits and compensation for vaccine-related injuries. What other manufacturing industry is exempt from lawsuits when their product harms or KILLS someone?

Regarding unvaccinated children, there is an interesting post in digitaljournal.com, April 18, 2012. It reveals a "Study: Whooping cough outbreak linked to Vaccinated children". Dr. David Witt, infectious disease specialist at Kaiser Medical Center, San Rafael, CA, led the study of a 2010 whooping cough outbreak among Kaiser Permanente patients in California. "What was very surprising was the majority of cases were in fully vaccinated children," Witt said. "That's what started catching our attention." After examining records over an 8 month period, the doctors discovered that 81 % of patients had received the full series of whooping cough shots, 11 % had received partial vaccination, and only 8 % had not received any immunization for whooping cough.

House Bill 1288 will lead to more mandates for vaccinations designed to increase pharmaceutical profits. Vaccines are now viewed as a crucial path to growth for drugmakers. On November 18, 2009, The Denver Post ran an AP article titled "Vaccines Provide Shot in the Arm: Drug companies boost their presence in a market that was little more than a low-profit niche a few years ago." It shows that vaccine sales were \$8 billion in 2004, \$19 billion in 2008, and projected to be \$39 billion in 2013.

Reasons to reject House Bill 1288: The majority of parents who apply for vaccine exemptions are educated and well-informed. Requiring an annual "vaccine education" session with a health care provider or online program is coercive and intimidating. There is no assurance that the "education" presented to parents will be fair and unbiased. The largest percentage of children affected by disease outbreaks are vaccinated. Simple logic: unvaccinated children pose little threat to a vaccinated population.

Forced Vaccination is in direct conflict with The Ethical Principle of the Nuremberg Code (1947) which concerns the use of human subjects in medical research. It relates to the use of unproven medical experiments on unwilling human subjects. ALL vaccinations are unproven medical experiments; there have never been ANY long-term, double-blind placebo studies to test their efficacy or side effects.