February 11, 2020

Re: HB 2601

Dear Education Committee Members,

I was bullied into the TDAP when I was 7 months pregnant. Within a week of getting the shot my blood pressure skyrocketed,...I was put on bed rest for the rest of my pregnancy, that resulted in me having to be induced at 35 weeks 6 days. Since then I have struggled with allergies, to things I never had issues with before, extreme anxiety, and heart palpitations. My child was also given vaccines, which resulted in sudden jaundice, lethargy, fever, weakness, weight loss and a hospital stay.

I understand that some people feel that vaccines save lives, and I respect their right to believe that. But for me and my family, vaccines cause harm. Vaccines like any medication are not a one size fits all,....we react differently. We want to have the right to make choices based on our own bodies and reactions, not what the government, who doesn't know us, or our medical history, thinks we should do. We do not consent.

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