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Re: HB 2601

Dear Education Committee Members,

I am a mother to three young kids. I started looking into vaccines and stopped vaccinating when my oldest was two. He is now ten years old. My other two have never been vaccinated. My oldest son struggles with Dyslexia, dysgraphia and an auditory processing disorder. He reads 3 grade levels below his. He is in special Ed and receives tutoring from an outside tutor three times a week. After doing more research, I've learned that dyslexia, although genetic, can be triggered by aluminum settling in the brain. He also has the worst immune system of my three children. As an infant he struggled with asthma and allergies.

Luckily, my three children are thriving and wonderful. They eat healthy, they are active, and when they do get sick their immune systems fight it quickly! Choosing not to vaccinate was not an easy decision but seeing how well my children are doing, and knowing the risks that come with ANY medication, I know that we have made the right choice. Please allow us to keep these freedoms!

Thank you!

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