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Dear Senator Gerratana, Representative Ritter and members of Public Health Committee,

I strongly oppose bill HB 6949 regarding religious exemption to vaccination. This bill is dictating to parents that they notarize an incriminating statement that they are knowingly putting their child and others at risk because of their religious beliefs. Refusing to sign this statement would result in not being able to claim a religious exemption.

This seems to be taking away our First Amendment Rights to freedom of Religion.

CT has a 98.53% rate at this time for vaccinations. I'm puzzled as to why, with such a high vaccination rate is there even a need to propose such a bill? I would be proud to live in a state that is able to be a leader in keeping a high vaccination rate without the controversy that goes with taking away Constitutional Rights and freedoms that this country was built on.

Your consideration in opposing this bill is GREATLY APPRECIATED !

Sincerely,

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