

To Members of the Children's Committee,

It has come to my attention that HB 7005 has been raised in your committee: AN ACT PROHIBITING THE ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF PARENTAL STATEMENTS CONCERNING RELIGIOUS OBJECTIONS TO VACCINATION BY SCHOOL NURSES AND PERMITTING MEMBERS OF THE CLERGY TO ACKNOWLEDGE SUCH STATEMENTS.

I AM OPPOSED TO HB 7005 because removing the school nurse acknowledgement and adding clergy is unnecessary and begins to combine church and state, which I feel should be kept separate.

Since not all religions have clergy and my beliefs are my own and not subject to anyone else's approval besides God's it is an unnecessary change. I think people who are allowed to acknowledge should stay as it is.

Also the school nurse is the one person who SHOULD be the one acknowledging the RE as that is the person who has protected medical information on my child not other government entities. This helps keep personal information private.

I also know that these types of bills introduce a legislative creep that aim to take away more of my religious freedoms as has happened in other states.

Please support our first amendment rights and freedom to practice religion freely and vote against HB7005.

Sincerely,

Amy I.
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