

Dear members of the Public Health Committee,

I am writing to ***OPPOSE*** Bill SB-94 (An Act Allowing Pharmacists to Administer the Flu Vaccine to Children Twelve Years of Age and Older).

Firstly, pharmacists do NOT have the proper training to determine a patient's eligibility for vaccines, or properly administer them. And **why should pharmacists be allowed to offer drugs to children without a prescription or medical exam first?** This is especially relevant, as they (pharmacists) are not trained to identify, treat, or respond to the adverse reactions that could potentially ensue?

If we, as a society, care so much about overmedicating now – with the opioid crisis, for example – then **why is the State advocating for even more forced consumerism?** Incentivized flu shots are unethical, and target low-income families to NOT seek medical care. Also unethical: selling drugs to children.

Yours sincerely,

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