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To: Labor & Industry Committee
Subject: HB262 SUPPORT RIGHT TO REFUSE ACT

Dear Representative Cox and members of the Labor and Industry Committee,

I am writing to you to ask the Labor and Industry Committee to support HB262, the Right to Refuse Act. I am a mother of 5 young children who have all been detrimentally affected by the Covid pandemic but more so from the totalitarian covid lockdowns. Their childhoods are being stripped from them hour by hour, day by day. The only thing that would make their childhoods worse at this point would be the teachers unions getting their way and forcing schools to make the covid vaccination mandatory for children before they agree to return to full-time in person learning. We all know that if the medical community and other similarly situated employment communities make this vaccine mandatory, schools will follow suit next. All it takes is one industry to start the trend and then they will all follow to our detriment as PA citizens.

Never before have vaccines been forced on people without exception. Please don't dismiss me as an "anti-vaccination" parent. I do vaccinate my children. However, I will NOT have my children vaccinated with a vaccine that has no long term studies that could seriously harm them at such a young age. My children should not be forced into a vaccine in order to receive an education. Passing this bill would ensure that my husband and I AS THEIR PARENTS, have the RIGHT to make the decision as to what is best for our childrens' overall health. As of right now, we have been stripped of all parental rights...our children being forced to wear masks 8 hours a day, not being able to be in school full time, being shut out of the school completely so we have no idea what's going on, etc. Please DO NOT escalate this travesty further but refusing to put forth this bill to preserve OUR RIGHTS as provided for in our Constitution that so many politicians seem to think so little of these days.

This is the UNITED STATES OF AMERICA. Our freedoms are supposed to mean something as put forth by our blessed Constitution. If you do not pass this bill, none of these liberal institutions will hesitate to further strip us of our freedoms by forcing vaccines on us for everything to the point that if we refuse, we won't be able to leave our own homes. There is NO REASON to force vaccinations. People who choose to get it can get it if they believe it is the right personal choice for them and their lifestyle. Those who don't assume the risk. It is no different than the flu vaccines that are not mandatory. Of course, this won't sit well with the multi-million dollar hospital community that I'm sure is already drawing up its marketing plans to get more people to its hospital as opposed to a competitor by saying "it's safe here, all of our employees are vaccinated." I guess it's a good thing you were elected by the people of PA not the hospitals. Hopefully you all will remember that when placing your votes.

If you do not pass this bill, you are opening the door for all of these industries to force vaccinations on us for anything that may arise down the road. This is a terrible idea. It is time that Congress listen to its constituents when we tell you WE ARE TIRED OF OUR RIGHTS BEING TAKEN AWAY AND TRAMPLED ON!!! Just like everything else in our lives, we are entitled to be free to make our own choices for ourselves and our children regardless of whether those decisions are right or wrong or good or bad. It should never be a choice between keeping our jobs in order to put food on the table vs. potentially keeping our lives! As I teach my children, for every choice there is a consequence....let the choices you make today be the consequences you can live with tomorrow. Well I can tell you, I am prepared to live with the consequences of NOT obtaining a vaccine that is having serious documented side effects INCLUDING DEATH and no long term studies. Does no one remember all the children that died from the screw up with the polio vaccine???????

Our teachers unions have been holding us hostage since last March. I have zero confidence that they won't continue to hold our children hostage until vaccines are forced upon our children. They have already come out on the media and

said this! They are even demanding that those in the household with school age children be required to be vaccinated!!!
ENOUGH IS ENOUGH.

As a concerned and devoted mother as well as a citizen who has more love for my country than most, please do right by my children and send this bill to the floor for a vote so that our rights and the lives of our children can be protected!!!! I continue to instill in my children to love and honor our great nation because of the incredible principles and freedoms it was founded on. Do not give them reason to lose faith in my teachings by making a poor choice not to support this bill.

Lastly and most importantly for the Democratic members of this committee who probably believe strongly in the mantra "my body, my choice"... If women can have the freedom to choose whether to take the life of another by aborting the precious babies resting in their womb, we as citizens should have the right to choose whether we and our children are forced to be injected with a vaccine that could harm us or shorten our life!!!!!!

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