

Support Ohio House Sub-Bill 248

Ohio House Sub-Bill 248 would guarantee Ohioans their right to vaccine choice and to maintain their healthcare privacy. It would also prohibit discrimination based on vaccine status.

Ohio House Bill 248 has received an unprecedented amount of public support on such an issue. The bill received 1,500 proponent testimonies supporting the bill and a fairly insignificant number of letters opposing the legislation. No similar legislation anywhere else in the United States has ever been as successful in the legislative process as HB248.

Despite the overwhelming support that HB248 has received, the Ohio legislature has remained impotent in passing any meaningful legislation protecting Ohioans' medical freedom rights and the bill stalled out in the Health Committee because our legislature cares more about their campaign contributions than they do your rights!

While our interest in the legislature passing HB248 hasn't waned, we realize that our representatives don't have our best interest in mind. Therefore, Representative Gross initiated a [petition to discharge HB248](#) from the Health Committee.

Furthermore, we are pursuing a [ballot initiative for HB248](#) to be voted on by the general public in the November election.

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MESSAGE FROM HOUSE BILL 248 SPONSOR



"State Rep. Jennifer Gross (R-West Chester) today introduced the Vaccine Choice & Anti-Discrimination Act, legislation that protects individuals who choose not to be vaccinated from discrimination due to vaccine status."

"As a nurse practitioner, Gross noted she is pro-vaccine and values the progress that the medical field has made in enhancing the health and well-being of humanity."

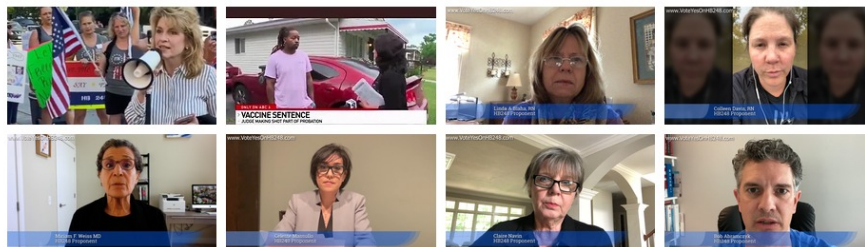
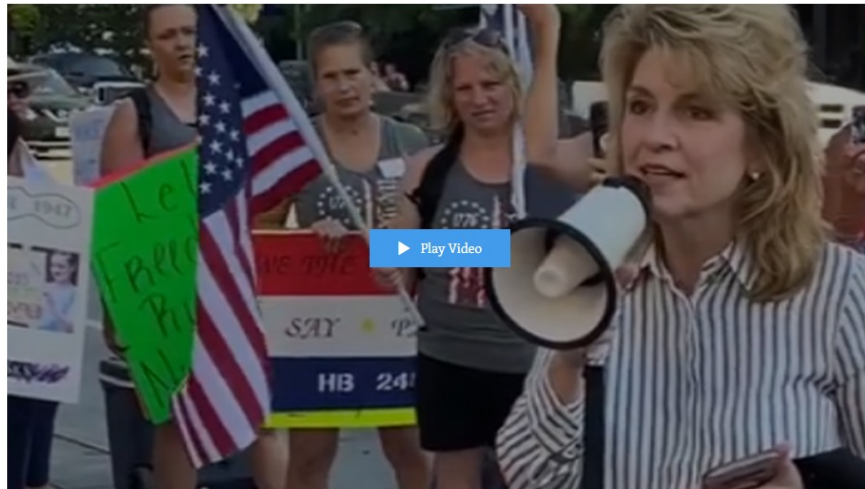
"According to the Ohio Department of Health, over three million people have received the COVID-19 vaccine thus far."

"There are eleven and a half million people in Ohio," said Gross. "Many people across the state may be likely to decline vaccines like the COVID-19 vaccine for conscientious, religious, or medical reasons. Without the exemption provisions this bill provides, the notion of a vaccine passport could easily lead to a class system in Ohio where segregation and discrimination will proliferate."

[Read more of Rep. Jennifer Gross' April 6, 2021 Press Release](#)

[Read the Amended Bill that Rep. Gross Introduced at the first Committee Hearing on 5/18/21.](#)

[Read Rep. Gross' Sponsor Testimony from the Committee Hearing on 5/18/21.](#)



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LOCAL RALLIES IN SUPPORT OF HB248







☆ OHIO HOUSE BILL 248 SPONSORS & SUPPORTERS ☆



Rep. Jennifer Gross (R) - District 52
Ohio HB 248 Sponsor



Rep. Thomas E. Brinkman Jr. (R) - District 27
Ohio HB 248 Co-Sponsor



Rep. Gary Click (R) - District 88
Ohio HB 248 Co-Sponsor



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Ohio HB 248 Co-Sponsor



Rep. Bill Dean (R) - District 74
Ohio HB 248 Co-Sponsor



Rep. Jay Edwards (R) - District 94
Ohio HB 248 Co-Sponsor



Rep. Ron Ferguson (R) - District 96
Ohio HB 248 Co-Sponsor



Rep. Sarah Fowler Arthur (R) - District 99
Ohio HB 248 Co-Sponsor



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Ohio HB 248 Co-Sponsor



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Ohio HB 248 Co-Sponsor



Rep. Riordan T. McClain (R) - District 87
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Ohio HB 248 Co-Sponsor



Rep. Reggie Stoltzfus (R) - District 50
Ohio HB 248 Co-Sponsor



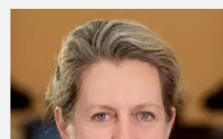
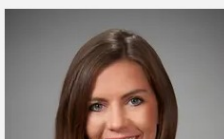
Rep. A. Nino Vitale (R) - District 85
Ohio HB 248 Co-Sponsor



Rep. Scott Wiggam (R) - District 1
Ohio HB 248 Co-Sponsor



Rep. Paul Zeltwanger (R) - District 54
Ohio HB 248 Co-Sponsor





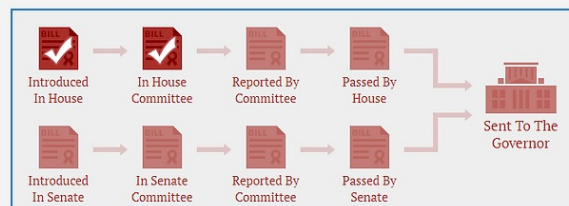
☆ ABOUT THE BILL ☆

To enact section 3792.02 of the Revised Code to authorize an individual to decline a vaccination and to name this act the Vaccine Choice and Anti-Discrimination Act.

Representative Gross, the sponsor of HB248, recognized that the original HB248 legislative proposal didn't go far enough to preserve Ohioan's liberties. As such, she introduced the following amended bill language at the first Health Committee hearing on 5/18/2021:

- Rescind Exiting Code** - Rescind current Ohio code that asks universities to collect vaccine status information from college students as a prerequisite of admission. (line 275 of the bill)
- Protect Vaccine Choice** - Prohibit a person, public official or employee, public agency, state agency, political subdivision, school, child day-care center, nursing home, residential care facility, health care provider, insurer, institution, or employer from requiring any vaccine (line 75 of the bill).
- Protect Privacy** - Prohibit a person, public official or employee, public agency, state agency, political subdivision, school, child day-care center, nursing home, residential care facility, health care provider, insurer, institution, or employer from requesting any vaccination status. (line 112 of the bill). The bill also prohibits the disclosure of a person's vaccine status (line 118 and 130 of the bill).
- Prohibit Vaccine "Passport"/Registry/etc** - Prohibit a person, public official or employee, public agency, state agency, political subdivision, school, child day-care center, nursing home, residential care facility, health care provider, insurer, institution, or employer from requesting any vaccination status. (line 114 of the bill)
- Provide Transparency & Reinforce that Schools must Honor Exemptions** - While the language of the bill permits the existing school mandates and exemptions already within Ohio code to remain law, this bill would require when a school or childcare provider - public or private - notifies parents of existing school mandates, they must also notify parents of applicable law that provides exemptions (line 83 and 93 of the bill), and they must honor those exemptions (line 90 and 100 of the bill). The bill also reinforces that student vaccine information shall be treated as Personally Identifiable Information (line 119 of the bill).
- Prohibit Discrimination** - Prohibit a person, public official or employee, public agency, state agency, political subdivision, school, child day-care center, nursing home, residential care facility, health care provider, insurer, institution, or employer from discriminating against someone for not receiving a vaccine, participating in vaccine status tracking, not providing proof of vaccination / immunity / testing (lines 143-181 of the bill).
- Protect Businesses Following the Law** - Prohibit a person, public official or employee, public agency, state agency, political subdivision from discriminating against a business who follows these new laws (lines 187-207 of the bill).
- Ensure this New Law Prevails in Future Public Emergencies** - Prohibit a public official or employee, public agency, state agency, political subdivision from issuing orders that would conflict with the language in this bill (lines 208-232 of the bill).
- Provide Legal Recourse for Violations** - When this bill becomes law, if someone violates any provision of the new code, there can be legal repercussions, including a) Civil Rights Complaint, b) complaint to the Attorney General, and c) civil litigation (lines 233-265 of the bill).

[Read the Amended Bill that Rep. Gross Introduced at the first Committee Hearing.](#) ☐



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☆ HB248 CALL TO ACTION ☆

CALL TO ACTION

Contact [your representative](#) and respectfully demand that they stand up for your vaccine choice and healthcare privacy rights and immediately publicly announce their support for HB248.

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