

Legislative Concerns - September 2019

OPPOSE these bills that infringe upon Pennsylvanians fundamental rights!

- **OPPOSE** [SB 653 Leach](#) Would remove ALL non-medical exemptions to the required school vaccinations in Pennsylvania. Referred to [Senate Education Committee](#).
- **OPPOSE** [SB 633 Costa](#) Would allow the governor to declare a public health emergency, thus suspending consumer protections and allowing for fast-tracked regulations, possibly allowing for forced vaccination. New York used a similar bill to declare a State of Emergency and sent health officials door to door when measles were detected. This bill passed the Senate and is currently in the [House Health Committee](#).
- **OPPOSE** [HB 1771 Frankel](#) Requires annual doctor visits to use religious and moral/ethical vaccine exemptions. With doctors refusing to see non-vaccinated patients, families would have no options to use current exemptions. Referred to [House Education Committee](#).
- **OPPOSE** [SB 626 Schwank](#) Would force parents to take annual state-mandated, vaccine education when using non-medical vaccine exemptions. Requires parents to obtain medical professional to sign exemptions. Referred to [Senate Education Committee](#).
- **OPPOSE** [HB 1767 Kosierowski](#) Require schools to publish vaccine exemption rates as a way to spread division in parent community. Referred to [House Education Committee](#).
- **OPPOSE** [SB274 Ward](#) & [HB91 Grove](#) Allows pharmacists to administer immunizations to children 9 and older. They are not trained to screen for vaccine contraindications or manage severe vaccine reactions. Referred to [Senate Consumer Protection & Professional Licensure Committee](#) and [House Health Committee](#).

The long term plan to completely remove vaccine exemptions starts with bills such as these.

Bills to SUPPORT - These support true informed consent and protect citizens' rights to make medical choices without coercion.

- **SUPPORT** [HB286 Metcalfe](#) Prevents doctors from refusing care to patients based on their vaccine choices. It also relieves parents from being forced to sign a biased, self-incriminating and misleading document in order to receive care. Referred to [House Health Committee](#).
- **SUPPORT** [HB 508 Cox](#) – Affirms and protects the intrinsic right of PA parents to determine the upbringing, education and care of their children. [House Children & Youth Committee](#)
- **SUPPORT** [HB48 Diamond](#) – Requires schools to include exemption information in any correspondence that lists vaccine requirements for school attendance. [House Education](#).

Pennsylvanians deserve true informed consent for medical procedures including vaccines.