



NATIONAL HEALTH FREEDOM ACTION

Dear Citizens who Attended Minnesota Lobby Day to Protect the Integrity of Our Conscientious Belief Vaccine Exemptions

CONGRATULATIONS! It was a great day of making our voice heard! Let's keep up the momentum and stand firm in our resolve! We will protect our right to make health care choices without obstructions. Approximately 70 adults came to meet with legislators (plus tons of kids) and roughly 75 meetings took place.



A special thank you to all the wonderful parents, families and individuals who came from far and near to make the voice of health freedom heard in Minnesota! We are the people and we are conscientious!!!

It was our first lobby day and many organizations and individuals worked hard to understand how to collaborate and get all the tasks accomplished! Thank you for your patience as we all worked together. **A special thank you to all the leaders from the many endorsing organizations who stepped up to help the entire process (see the list of endorsing organizations**

below). Let's keep working together and keep up the great movement.

We Need your Follow-ups and Feedback Stories

Many of you talked with legislators and got their position or thoughts on the bill. Some of your feedback we wrote down and are passing it along to the lobbyist, Jim Abeler. But, in case we didn't get it all down, we would be eternally grateful if you would send us short summaries of your meetings. We would love to be able to see an overall count of which legislators are with us as we move forward. If you haven't passed on the results of your meetings to someone who wrote it down on the spot, please send your results to jerrjohn@aol.com. Tell us whether the legislator supports the bill or opposes it or something in-between, and any other relevant information.

What Next - Where the bills are at:

The bills were introduced in January by Senator Eaton and Representative Freiberg.

The House bill, HF393, was referred to its first Committee, the House Health and Human Services Reform Committee, on January 29. **The Chair of that Committee, Representative Tara Mack,** has not put it on the Committee schedule to be heard yet. If it is not heard in a Committee in the House by March 20, it will not move further in the House unless the Senate bill is passed and is sent to the House or unless they amend the bill onto another moving bill.



The Senate bill, SF380, was referred to its first Committee, the Senate Health, Human Services and Housing Committee, on January 29. **The Chair of the Committee, Kathy Sheran**, has not put it on the Committee schedule to be heard yet. If it is not heard in a Committee in the Senate by March 20, it will not move further in the Senate unless the House bill is passed and is sent to the Senate or unless they amend the bill onto another moving bill.

We hope they do not bring these bills to a Committee Hearing, but we need to prepare quickly to be ready if they do. Legislators are extremely busy and Committees can meet whenever the Chairperson calls a meeting in order to get their work accomplished.

Tasks Going Forward: CAN YOU VOLUNTEER???

We need volunteers for the following:

1. Help our informal committee that is gathering names of people who are willing to testify. You can either help by offering to tell your story and testify, or help the committee find and organize the testifiers. The head of the committee is Greg Schmidt; email: gregoryvschmidt@gmail.com.
2. Help set up meeting locations or conference calls for all of us to keep in communication, contact Jerri Johnson at: jerrijohn@aol.com.
3. Help with data base entry and administrative help, folders, handouts, materials, copying, etc., contact Anne Tenner at: atatenner@gmail.com, or Diane Miller, at: similar@aol.com.
4. Help interface with the media and help Patti Carrol with Press Releases and distribution, contact Patti Carroll at: pcarroll8@msn.com.
5. Help take citizens to the capitol to meet with their legislators, act as shepherds and helpers, contact Jerri Johnson, Patti Carroll, or any leader you know to discuss this.
6. Collection of important vaccine or human rights information, articles, research, etc., contact Chris Abel at: ChristinaSAbel@hotmail.com.

This message is being sent by Anne Tenner and Diane Miller from National Health Freedom Action to help keep everyone posted on the status of the bills. We are sending it to the list of persons who came to the Lobby Day as well as other leaders and advocates who could not attend. We have tried to keep our database current with permission from each person to give their contact information to the groups working to oppose this bill. If you are NOT okay with NHFA having your email address and sending you updates, please let us know (atatenner@gmail.com).

We will remain in touch with Jim Abeler, the contract lobbyist for the bill, and Greg Schmidt and Kathryn Berg, the grassroots lobbyist at the capitol, and other strategic leaders who have been in communication on the bill. When we hear any movement on the bills, we will email you. Let us know if you hear anything new.

If you have any questions, please contact any of the leaders who you know or email us at: atatenner@gmail.com or similar@aol.com.

Minnesota Organizations

Minnesota Homeopathic Association (MHA)

Minnesota Integrative Care Advocates (MICA)

Minnesota Natural Health Coalition (MNHC)

Minnesota Natural Health Legal Reform Project (MNH-LRP)

Vaccine Awareness Minnesota (VAM)

Vaccine Safety Council of MN (VSCMN)

North Country Herbalist Guild

Epicenter of Chiropractic (EPOC MN)

Other State Organizations

Maine Coalition for Vaccine Choice

Illinois Citizens for Health Freedom

National and International Organizations with MN Members

Alliance for Natural Health

Association of American Physicians and Surgeons (AAPS)

AutismOne

Canary Party

Dental Amalgam Mercury Solutions (DAMS)

Free and Healthy Children International

Health Choice

National Health Federation

National Health Freedom Action (NHFA)

National Health Freedom Coalition (NHFC)

National Coalition of Organized Women (NCOW)

NVIC (National Vaccine Information Center)

Organic Consumers Association

ParentalRights.org

Weston A. Price Foundation

If you haven't already done so, please [Take Action on the bill here](#). Thanks again for making Lobby Day such a success!!!



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