

Dear Members of the Economic Community:

I am writing to express my support for Bill HB 1171. I am a health care worker in Montgomery County who was recently diagnosed with an immunological cancer. As of today, there is no conclusive data available on how persons with my condition may respond to the new COVID-19 vaccinations that have been given emergency use authorization by the FDA. If this vaccine were to become mandatory as a condition for employment, I may have to decide between taking a vaccine that could adversely impact my health, or not being able to provide for my family. I am currently the sole financial provider for my family of three and if I were unable to work, then it would surely place my family into a state of financial crisis. I strongly urge you to take up and support HB 1171 in order to protect the rights of citizens like me.

Thank You For Your Time,

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