

Dear Chair Davis, Vice-Chair Dumais, and members of the Economic Matters Committee,

I am writing to request a FAVORABLE REPORT for HB1171.

I have a wife and four kids. I am the only wage earner in my home. My elderly mother-in-law also recently moved in, so I am also supporting her.

In February, I had brain surgery to correct epileptic seizures which I've suffered all my life. It is ironic, and a little frightening to me that some people are having seizures after they receive the covid vaccine. I used to have multiple simple partial seizures every day and complex partials occasionally. Both made work and life a struggle.

Brain surgery was a blessing and although I'm still recovering and resting a lot, I have finally become seizure free for these last four weeks. I don't want anything to interfere with my progress. I worry that the vaccine might not be safe for me to take.

My employer is pressuring me to be a good example and receive the covid vaccine. This pressure is despite my communicating my health concerns. I feel very anxious at the idea of my employer being sanctioned to require it. I need to keep my job.

Thank you for considering my deep concerns. Thank you for protecting me and other wage earners by voting YES.

Sincerely,

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