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To: [Health and Community Services Committee](#)
Subject: Submission against the proposed Public Health (Exclusion of Unvaccinated Children from Child Care) Amendment Bill 2013.
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To whom it may concern,

Thank you for taking the time to read my email... I would like to take this opportunity to state categorically and unambiguously that I am wholly opposed to this bill. There are many reasons for this stance however most have been expressed already by others:

1. I do not agree with discrimination, segregation or penalties for parents and children who do not vaccinate.
2. How can a bill be passed that blatantly discriminates against non-vaccinating families, when fully vaccinated families continue to contract the diseases for which they have been vaccinated against.
3. This bill is unethical and aims to bully public compliance with fear, rather than education.
4. What happens if I follow this enforced action and my child gets injured or even dies from the vaccination??? Will you take responsibility for this? The government has already legislated so the drug companies do not have to take responsibility so where does the buck stop... of course it stops with the parent so how can you take away my right to choose???
5. Myself, alongside the majority of other parents who decide not to vaccinate, are educated erudite individuals who love our children every bit as much as those parents who do vaccinate. The main difference being that the decision not to vaccinate is an informed and well thought out one rather than following established dogma and handing over responsibility for your loved ones health to others.

My child's health is my responsibility, not yours, not my doctors and certainly not the governments or the drug companies. I take this responsibility very seriously indeed and would warrant that I know more about vaccinations than the average GP does... now I am certainly prepared to say I may be wrong but as with the other 1,000,000 decisions every parent makes for their children I make this one with my eyes wide open believing fully that it is the correct course of action for my child at that time with the information available to me.

I ask you, why should a third part be able to exert unbearable pressure on me and other parents like me for just taking the role of parent seriously???

Kind regards,

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