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As a resident of Missouri, I have watched citizens in other states lose their rights - often leaving their civil liberties in tatters, over unscientific and false pandemic narratives. This legislation protects the rights and liberties of MO residents in a time when it is needed the most and I am proud to support it.



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I support all bills that give citizens the right to choose NO health 'mandates' of any kind You folks WILL be held accountable for your actions.



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I am in support of all bills which support freedom of choice, privacy, and protect against discrimination.



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In support of a combined approach with the best of all these bills. The language in these bills are required to save the idea and ideal of individual liberty and freedom to choose a method of protecting one's health without worrying about penalties (governmental, healthcare and/or private sector business) threatened upon the individual based on that personal choice.



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A bill that protects an individual from his/her employer forcing medical procedures on them as a contingency for employment is one that every working American should support. Having this provision in place will help create a sense of security required for working class people to get back to work.



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I support bills aimed to eliminate the mandates by government entities, including schools and private businesses to require the Covid vaccine as a condition of employment, to coerce participation in activities related to school or education or the right to run and freely operate a business in the state of Missouri.



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I write in strong support of HB 1475 and 1624 I strongly support preventing covid "vaccine" gene therapy requirements for ANY individual in our state - especially our children. These covid gene therapies are improperly labeled as vaccines. They should not be required for anyone! If you are not aware of these facts, please review Senator Ron Johnson's Jan 24 (5 hr) panel discussion entitled Covid - a Second Opinion. Missouri representatives have a responsibility to educate themselves on the facts, outside of the media propaganda machine, in order to make wise discussions concerning the health of Missourians. Protect our rights to make health decisions! Do not be deceived.



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I am in support of any bill that bans schools, businesses, venues or public transportation from requiring vaccination, proof of vaccination, vaccination "passports" or any requirement such as proof of natural immunity as a condition of employment or attendance. Personal health information is just that - very personal and private and should never be required to be shared. I am also in support of any bill that bans schools from endorsing, providing or otherwise having any involvement in any vaccination or medical treatment. Businesses and schools should not ever have the power to infringe upon my personal health decisions or the health decisions of my children. If we cannot have control over our own medical decisions and the right to decide what medical treatments or vaccinations we will participate in, then we lose all rights to our bodies and become prisoners of the state.



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These experimental shots violate the Nuremberg code that alone should be enough to put law them but forcing someone to take this shit or not have a job to feed and take care of their family violates and destroys the very freedoms that America was founded on



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I agree with this bill. I don't think employers can force unvaccinated employees to test each week unless vaccinated employees also have to get tested. Vaccinated employees still can get Covid and spread it as well. The employer should pay since they require it.



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Choice Mask, Choice Vaccine. No Government Regulations or Mandates. STOP The Hate!			



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No American should be forced to choose any forced, unconstitutional, oppressive, abusive mandates over our own health, welfare, our work, over our kids. NO FORCED VACCINES, NO PROOF OF VACCINES, NO EMPLOYER REQUIREMENT VACCINES TO WORK TO SUPPORT OUR HOME AND FAMILY, NO HEALTH ORDERS, NO REQUIREMENTS FOR VACCINATING OUR BABIES AND CHILDREN NOR ELDERLY. YOU HAVE NOT AUTHORITY. THERE ARE MYRIAD ARTICLES OF PROOF OF HERD IMMUNITY. AND WE ARE INTELLIGENT ENOUGH TO GOVERN OUR OWN LIVES TO PROTECT OUR OWN HEALTH AND WELFARE AND OUR WAY OF LIVING. STAY OUT OF THIS.



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We oppose the federal covid-19 vaccine mandates as well as legislative efforts to create state civil liability or penalties on employers and any other state interference in private employment decisions.



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I am opposed to this bill. It is fiscally irresponsible and a waste of resources. It is not based on scientific evidence or current best medical practices.



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Verbal testimony to be provided in committee



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Covid vaccines will save lives and help us come to an endemic. I oppose these bills.



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Good morning, Representative Evans and members of the House Judiciary Committee. My name is Laura Turner. I am the Senior Manager, Advocacy - Missouri and Arkansas, for the American Lung Association. The American Lung Association is offering testimony in opposition to HB 1624. The American Lung Association is the nation's oldest voluntary public health organization with a mission to save lives by improving lung health and preventing lung disease. We do this through education, advocacy, and research on behalf of the 36 million Americans living with lung diseases including lung cancer and COPD. When we found ourselves in the midst of a respiratory pandemic in 2020, the American Lung Association knew we had an important role. We launched a \$25 million campaign to end COVID-19 and defend against future respiratory virus pandemics, funding research awards and grants for preventative research as well as working to evaluate the effects of COVID-19 on patients with chronic lung disease. We have worked in coalition with government, private industry, and public health organizations to address this pandemic on every level. Throughout our nation's history, vaccinations have been an important tool to save countless lives and eradicate deadly disease from smallpox to the flu and now they are an important tool to help us address the pandemic we face today. In a pandemic, time is measured in lives lost and people left with severe, debilitating health effects. The sooner every Missourian and American gets fully vaccinated, the better chance we stand of ending the pandemic and moving our state and nation forward. If passed, this bill will derail our efforts and threaten the health of the 1,082,000 Missourians living with lung disease. Our public policies should focus on ensuring everyone is vaccinated. Over 206 million people in the United States are fully vaccinated, and billions of people worldwide have received a COVID-19 vaccine (1). The vaccines have undergone the most intensive safety monitoring in U.S. history and claims that they are not extensively tested are false. The evidence is clear that they reduce the risk of hospitalizations and deaths from COVID-19, as well as the risk of contracting and spreading the virus (2). As the trusted champion for lung health, the American Lung Association is focused on slowing the spread and defeating COVID-19. To further protect the overall population and those most vulnerable, we need a sufficiently high proportion of the population to get vaccinated to stop coronavirus transmission. We hope you will work to protect the health and safety of all Missourians by encouraging everyone to get vaccinated and boosted and reject policies that slow the uptake of vaccinations and spread false information about their safety. For those reasons we strongly urge you to oppose HB 1624.1.

https://ourworldindata.org/covid-vaccinations?country=OWID_WRL#country-by-country-data-on-covid-19-vaccinations2. <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/vaccines/vaccine-benefits.html>



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Why are you tying the hands of employers. This legislation may take away the ability of some employers to do business with their customers/clients that require these types of covid monitoring/vaccinations. You could also be requiring employers from doing something illegal. Finally, Missouri is an "at-will employment" state. Why would you want to be placing limitations on an employer concerning who he hires and fires? This is very bad legislation!



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Chairman Evans, Vice-Chairman Veit, members of the committee; thank you for the opportunity to submit testimony today in opposition to HB 1624 which seeks to intimidate Missouri business owners and employees out of taking measures to protect themselves and their families and to politically interfere with the expert judgement of Missouri health care professionals during a global and local public health crisis. Pro-Choice Missouri works to protect and expand every Missourian's right to bodily autonomy, to access essential reproductive healthcare, to access accurate information in order to make the best decisions for ourselves and our families, and to parent our children in safety and dignity. Moreover, we work to ensure reproductive justice for all Missourians, which involves advocating to reduce disparities based on race, income level, insurance coverage status, and other factors. Living together in community, as we do here in Missouri, requires each of us to do our part in supporting, uplifting, and protecting that community. The health and prosperity of the community is directly linked to our individual health and prosperity as well as that of our future generations. This bill will particularly impact Missouri communities that are already facing extreme disparities in access to health care, and are in especially vulnerable circumstances due to the COVID-19 pandemic. As community members and leaders, this body should be prioritizing improving the health and well-being of the community and not on politicizing public health measures that have been proven to improve community health. During this unprecedented pandemic, our elected officials should be focused on improving our families' health and safety, not politicizing regard for public health. This bill will have lasting negative impacts on Missouri people, children, and families. Pro-Choice Missouri, representing more than 70,000 members across the state, opposes the advancement of this bill, and urges you to vote NO today.



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Given the vulnerable population residing in nursing homes, nursing homes need to be able to determine the best and safest policies regarding vaccination and other infection control protocols to protect staff and residents. In addition, we need to be able to react to federal guidance and requirements. Hard line statutory restriction that conflict with federal guidance and regulations would put us out of compliance with CMS and possibly force closure of nursing homes.



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Missouri State Medical Association would like to go on record in opposition of House Bills 1861, 1575, 2093, 1465, 1617, 1485, 1543, 1544, 1769, 2055, 1635, 1665, 1670, 1691, 1692, 1475, 1624, 1904 and 1762. MSMA feels that these bills seek to make it more difficult for employers to adopt a COVID vaccine requirement. Employers, particularly employers within the health care industry, need the ability to require staff to receive a vaccine in order to better protect both the employee and patients. Businesses should have the ability to assess situations and decide.



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Businesses need to function in order to contribute to a strong economy. Healthy employees are essential to a thriving business. A highly transmissible virus can be detrimental to places of employment, resulting in employee absences and loss of business. Having vaccinated employees can ensure the viability of the enterprise. If an employee chooses not to be vaccinated, then there needs to be a way to verify that the health and safety of the workforce. Employees providing updates that they are disease free can safeguard the health of their co-workers and communities, and the provision of essential businesses and services to the community.



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This petty, nonsensical legislation would undermine the public health.			



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Im a parent with 5 children 4 of which are school age children. We have been dealing with mask mandates for Covid for a couple of years and now and i can tell you enough is enough. The kids are not protected with a mask or vaccine the virus still spreads. It is a huge overreach to institute and mandates of masks, testing, or vaccines. Parents and kids that do not want masks are well aware of the virus and dont need government help to be safe. Everyday living and leaving your house is a risk, and a far greater risk than dying from Covid. The parents and kids need to be making decisions on what goes on their face not school board members who dont actually have to do this for 7 to 8 hours a day. Government funding needs to end on anything related to covid. Stop the mandates we know how to take care of our own families. Thank you



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LeadingAge Missouri (LA MO) is an association of 130 mostly non-profit senior living and healthcare providers across Missouri. LA MO members deliver the full continuum of aging services, including nursing home care, assisted living, hospice, home & community-based services, adult day care and affordable and market rate senior housing. Usually, a LA MO member delivers multiple levels of senior care and aging services in a single building or on a single campus. Many settings for senior care and aging services in Missouri are certified by the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS). This includes the vast majority of Missouri nursing homes, immediate care facilities, hospices, and home & community-based service providers. CMS certification allows senior care providers to be reimbursed by CMS for Medicare or Medicaid patient care and services. To highlight the significance of this, in Missouri the average nursing home receives more than 65% of its revenue from CMS reimbursement. Accordingly, there is little doubt that large numbers of Missouri nursing homes, intermediate care facilities, hospices and home care providers will fail without CMS payments - leaving thousands of vulnerable, older Missouri citizens without care services and thousands of Missouri aging services providers without work. In the case of nursing homes, they are frequently one of the largest employers in smaller Missouri communities. Without question, large scale nursing home closure in Missouri would be devastating for Missouri citizens (both residents and families) and the State's economy, and with thousands of displaced older Missourians there would be a social crisis of substantial proportions. Missouri aging services organization must comply with CMS requirements to remain financially viable and serve Missouri citizens. Recently, CMS issued an Interim Final Rule (IFR) mandating all staff in CMS-certified facilities to be fully vaccinated for COVID-19. Missouri and other states challenged CMS' authority and rationale for the IFR and, initially, lower federal courts enjoined enforcement of the CMS rule. However, the U.S. Supreme Court recently overruled lower courts in favor of CMS and ended the IFR's stay of enforcement while the cases proceed in the lower courts. Consequently, staff (broadly defined in the IFR) in all Missouri CMS-certified facilities will soon be required to be fully vaccinated for COVID-19. There two exemptions to the IFR for facility staff - medical contraindication and sincerely held religious belief, practice, or observance. These two exemptions require application and approval consistent with CMS guidance. The CMS IFR preempts contradictory state or local law. Accordingly, Missouri may not overrule the vaccination mandate applied to CMS-certified facility workers. States may legislate for more restrictive application of a federal law but may not diminish or dilute federal requirements. LeadingAge Missouri believes Missouri may not authorize additional exemptions to the CMS mandate beyond the two specifically authorized. Additionally state authorized exemptions would dilute application of the CMS vaccination mandate. The CMS IFR broadly applies to all "staff", which includes employees, licensed practitioners, students, trainees, volunteers, contracted staff, and any individual providing care, treatment, or

services under contract or other arrangement. The IFR recognizes the vaccination requirement does not apply to workers who perform 100% remote work or telework and who have absolutely no contact with patients/residents/participants or other staff. However, employees and individuals who have any contact with other staff must be vaccinated, regardless of whether they have contact with patients/residents/participants. This means that, except in rare cases, all employees of senior living and healthcare communities - whether working in the CMS-certified care settings or not - will have to be vaccinated or meet one of the two exemptions from vaccination. Large numbers of Missouri senior living and healthcare facilities offer multiple levels of senior care where CMS-certified nursing staff routinely engage with staff in other non-CMS-certified settings. For example, hundreds of Missouri facilities (especially in smaller communities) provide both nursing care and assisted living care in the same structure – often in different hallways on the same facility floor. Routinely, nursing home and assisted living staff serve both nursing home and assisted living residents. Both assisted living and nursing care are Missouri-licensed long-term care providers, however, only nursing homes are CMS-certified. For this reason, LA MO believes providers of aging services that are not CMS-certified (like ALFs and independent living units on the same campus as CMS-certified operations) must be exempted from any state law that would impede or restrict aging services providers from delivering the safest, best care and services to Missourians entrusted to them. Aging services providers serve, protect, and care for Missouri's most vulnerable population – those 65 and older – who often have underlying healthcare conditions and who are overwhelmingly the most susceptible to negative health consequences or death from COVID-19. To protect Missourians entrusted to their care, and to provide the safest, best senior care and services possible, Missouri aging services providers must be afforded professional discretionary flexibility to “do no harm” to patients and residents by ensuring that aging services personnel caring for members of the most vulnerable population do not transmit COVID-19 to those for whom they are providing comfort, care, and services. Aging services providers should be left to exercise professional judgement – based on verifiable science, accepted healthcare practices and protocols, and competitive market forces that dictate healthcare delivery – on how to deliver the safest and best care, comfort and services to Missouri's highly vulnerable patients and residents in different settings. Having said this, it is highly likely that aging services providers operating CMS-certified facilities (with overlapping employees) will uniformly apply the workforce COVID-19 vaccination mandate to all staff – not just those impacted by the broadly inclusive IFR. These providers should be left to do so in the best interests of their residents and patients. The State should tell a provider that it should or should not require staff vaccination for COVID-19. However, LA MO offers no expertise or opinion to Missouri policymakers about appropriate workforce policies and practices for Missouri government employers or for private business employers outside aging services as regards COVID-19 vaccination requirements.