

STATE OF MAINE

In House _____

WHEREAS, the V-safe program is the vaccine safety monitoring system of the United States Department of Health and Human Services, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, or "the CDC," and was initially launched in December 2020 to monitor the safety of COVID-19 vaccines and later expanded to include mpox vaccines; and

WHEREAS, since the launch of the V-safe program, 10,100,000 V-safe participants completed more than 151,000,000 health surveys about their experiences following COVID-19 and mpox vaccination; and

WHEREAS, despite V-safe program data's being public information, the CDC refused to release the data in response to a federal Freedom of Information Act request until after 2 lawsuits were filed in federal court and 440 days had passed since the data were originally requested; and

WHEREAS, the original data release showed that out of 10,108,273 users, 3,353,110 users either needed to seek medical care, could not attend work or school or could not perform daily activities following vaccination and there was a total of 2,108,022 reports of users' receiving medical care; and

WHEREAS, the CDC reported on V-safe program data received from users only during the first 7 days following vaccination despite serious injuries from the COVID-19 vaccine often taking more than 7 days to manifest, and adverse events reported to the V-safe program more than 7 days following vaccination were not publicly disclosed by the CDC; and

WHEREAS, batches of data the CDC was ordered to release of free-text entries made in the V-safe program's online survey, which contain information that does not otherwise fit into the survey, contain thousands of reports of chest pain, heart palpitations and shortness of breath, more than a thousand reports of tinnitus, hundreds of reports of menstrual disturbances and approximately 54 reports of miscarriage following vaccination, as well as other reports of medical problems; now, therefore, be it

ORDERED, the Senate concurring, that the Joint Standing Committee on Health and Human Services shall study the use of the V-safe program, including, with regard to COVID-19 vaccines:

1. Any failure of the United States Department of Health and Human Services, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention to properly collect and report V-safe program data;
2. Any deleterious effects from the Federal Government's failure to remove vaccine manufacturers' immunity from liability; and
3. Any public health and safety and efficiency issues related to COVID-19 vaccines.

No later than November 6, 2024, the Joint Standing Committee on Health and Human Services shall submit a report that includes its findings and recommendations to the First Regular Session of the 132nd Legislature.

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