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Honorable Chairpersons, Members and Senators,

I write in support of LD867. Vaccine mandates should wait until adequate, sufficient safety studies have been completed. I have a number of supporting reasons:

1. COVID vaccines are experimental

The COVID vaccines were developed and deployed in 2020 and are still in trials on ClinicalTrials.gov. Regardless of regulatory status updates, the fact remains that the COVID vaccines are very new and employ a new technology. The COVID vaccines went from development to being used on humans the fastest in history.

2. Few safety studies have been performed or completed to date

Although deaths after COVID-19 vaccination have been reported to the Vaccine Adverse Events Reporting System, few studies have been conducted to evaluate mortality not associated with COVID-19 among vaccinated and unvaccinated groups. Since the vaccines are new, and also a new technology, only looking at adverse events known or predicted to be associated with the vaccine will miss greater unknown, overall effects. To date, according to the CDC, "few studies" (none that I can find) are even looking for these effects.

<https://www.cdc.gov/mmwr/volumes/70/wr/pdfs/mm7043e2-H.pdf>

3. Adverse events are very high

The deaths and adverse events reported to the Vaccine Adverse Events Reporting System are very high. The numbers indicate the vaccines are more dangerous than previous vaccines that had longer and more complete testing programs. Some life insurance companies are now reporting the highest non-covid mortality in 2021 in their company's history (through the 3rd quarter). The data indicates something other than COVID-19 is causing a dramatic increase in death in the working population (18-64). Since there are no studies evaluating mortality not associated with COVID-19 among vaccinated and unvaccinated groups, we do not know if we are missing an unknown adverse event associated with the vaccines.

<https://justthenews.com/nation/states/indiana-life-insurance-ceo-says-deaths-are-40-among-people-ages-18-64>