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March 20, 1961

Assemblyman Bert DeLotto
State Capitol Building
Sacramento, California

Dear Mr. DeLotto:

I have before me A.B. #1940, authored by Byron Rumford and yourself. As an organization made up of people whom such legislation will affect, we desire to make certain recommendations:

1- we believe that this type of legislation should always be reserved, if used at all, for epidemic and highly contagious diseases. Science has not yet proven Polio to be in this classification.

2- we believe that this type of legislation should never specify the remedy to be used. We are pleased that your Bill complies to this belief, and

3- we believe that this type of legislation violates our basic rights when it does not provide an escape clause whereby pupils will be exempt from the provisions of the law if the parents or guardian of the pupil file a written objection.

I am enclosing a copy of your Bill and call your attention to page 2; line 32 and 33 as I have corrected it. If you and Assemblyman Rumford could see your way clear to amend the Bill as I have suggested on page 2, the National Health Federation would be pleased even though we feel because of the confusion now prevailing as to the effectiveness of the Salk, ~~Vaccine~~, this Bill should be referred to an interim committee for study.

There are now four states in the union that have had compulsory Polio vaccination laws for two or more years. One of these, Ohio, has an escape clause similar to the one I have suggested for your bill. In the three states which do not have an escape clause, the incidence of Polio has increased 200 to 300 per cent. An interim committee certainly could unearth pertinent information in these states, which information would be of extreme value to the legislature.

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Another point which should be given careful consideration is the cost of such a program to the state and to the people of California. Under the Bill as you have introduced it approximately two million children would have to be immunized. According to Dr. Salk, the U.S. Department of Public Health, and actual experience such immunization would require not less than four inoculations. At a minimum cost of three dollars each, this would amount to twelve dollars per pupil or a total yearly cost of \$22,000,000, for an immunization program with a vaccine which has proved a failure according to The Journal of the American Medical Association (See the attached information).

Worthy of further consideration is the fact that there were only 504 cases of Polio in the State of California during the entire twelve months of 1959, and only 424 in 1960, of which 368 had some degree of paralysis. It is interesting to note that the total Paralytic cases is 88% of the total Polio cases. The year before the Salk Vaccine campaign was inaugurated the percentage of Paralytic to the total cases of Polio was 24.6%. Please note at this point that Dr. Salk and the U.S. Public Health Service stated publicly that the Salk Vaccine was designed to immunize against the Paralytic type of Polio. Statistics now show that it has not only failed in this regard but it has actually increased the number of paralytic cases.

We believe in the light of the foregoing and the attached factual information you and Bryon Rumford as authors of the Bill should in committee have it referred to an interim committee for a factual study of the entire situation.

With all good wishes and in appreciation of the good intentions of both yourself and Byron Rumford, I am

Sincerely yours,

FRED J. HART, President

HAROLD EDWARDS, VICE PRESIDENT

E. HUGH TUCKEY, SECRETARY-TREASURER

FRED J. HART, PRESIDENT

Vaccine Called 'Weak, Worthless and Wasted'

The Journal of the American Medical Association is telling physicians the 355 million doses of Salk vaccine given so far have been wasted.

It says the shots have been too weak to do any good. So doctors now should start inoculating everybody all over again—preferably with a special, souped-up (and costlier) brand of Salk vaccine recently put on the market.

This jarring advice conflicts with the recommendations of the U. S. Public Health Service—whose advisory committee of experts has ruled that four shots of any brand of Salk vaccine offer adequate protection to most persons.

It even conflicts with the AMA's own endorsement of the Salk vaccine. Just three months ago, at its semi-annual meeting here, the AMA's House of Delegates proclaimed this vaccine has proved to be effective" and urged its "widest possible use" pending availability of a new, live-virus preparation that can be swallowed

Despite this, the editors of the AMA's official publication are sticking by the statements in the current issue of the Journal—which goes to more than 179,000 doctors.

The statements berating Salk vaccine are attributed to Dr. Herbert Ratner, whom the Journal identifies as a "competent authority."

Dr. Ratner is Health Commissioner of Oak Park, Ill.

Dr. Ratner says: "It is now generally recognized that much of the Salk vaccine used in the United States has been worthless."

He also contends nobody knows which she is good and which isn't because the vaccine "is an unstandardized product of an unstandardized process"—a charge which brought a prompt rebuke from the government's vaccine licensing agency here.

One of the editors even charged, in a telephone interview, that the Public Health Service "jumped the gun" in licensing the Salk vaccine and has been "trying to save face" ever since.

Washington D.C. News

Feb. 28, 1961

POLIOMYELITIS

Reported incidence of poliomyelitis in 1959 was 48 per cent higher than in 1958 but the number of paralytic cases was 70 per cent greater than for the previous year. The number of nonparalytic cases increased only 5 per cent. Final figures for 1959 were considerably different from the provisional totals at the end of the year as shown in the following table:

	Provisional	Final
Total	8,567	8,425
Paralytic	5,709	6,289
Nonparalytic	2,165	2,045
Unspecified	693	91

These figures indicate that much effort was spent in the States in the establishment of the final diagnosis. The lar-

***Editor's comment:** The forgoing news item should shake the blind faith of the public in pronouncements and endorsements of the American Medical Association, as well as demonstrate that the United States Public Health Service as presently constituted, is not to be relied upon. The National Health Federation has been warning the public about the worthlessness of the Salk vaccine. The Bulletin has carried the statistics to prove the vaccine has increased the percentage of polio victims who are paralyzed, from 25% to over 75% of the total of those who contract polio. The Salk vaccine was designed to be effective against the paralytic type of polio. It is high time the people of the United States rise in their wrath and demand the Public Health Service be taken off of the Propaganda Wagon and returned to its proper function of protecting the public from such exploitation by the purveyors of drugs, vaccines and other chemical nostrums. A case in point right now is the U. S. Department of Public Health propaganda regarding putting fluorides in the public drinking water. The facts used to justify the adding of fluorides to the drinking water are just as fallacious as those used by the proponents of the Salk vaccine to not only hoax the American people, but to cause the injection into the blood stream of millions of people, penicillin and formaldehyde and polio virus. How many of the children who received these injections of formaldehyde will develop leukemia, only time will tell. Is it not time for our government to quit being promoters for industry and start protecting the public. The economic urge is sufficient to cause plenty of promotion by the industry. Is it not better policy to spend our public funds in restraining such promotion when it goes too far or is unsound. Congress should investigate the United States Public Health Department to ascertain what is causing this apparent wrongful use of public funds.

*N.H.F. Editor

ger number of paralytic cases in final figures compared with provisional figures has been noted in previous years.

The larger proportion (75 per cent) of paralytic cases in 1959 compared to 64 per cent in 1958, is probably due to the fact that there is an increasing reluctance to report nonparalytic poliomyelitis without confirmatory laboratory examinations.

In 1958, 27 States reported more paralytic cases than in 1957, and in 1959, 39 States reported a higher incidence than in 1958. Several of the States that reported fewer paralytic cases in 1959 had experienced sharp localized outbreaks in the previous year. U. S. Government figures. U.S. Dept. of Health

Editor's Note: The Salk Vaccine was developed to prevent paralytic polio.

Does the Medicine Man Care? He Should!

The Scientific Health Protection League of Chicago attributes the following statement to Dr. Jonas E. Salk, the discoverer of the Polio vaccine which bears his name. "The administration of vaccine or, for that matter, any inoculation, whether it be penicillin or salt solution, in an individual who may be harboring a poliomyelitis infection, will tend to localize that infection in such a way as to produce paralysis in the inoculated limb."

The Medical Profession is aware of these facts. WHY, OH WHY, do they lend themselves to this wholesale inoculation program which operates without regard to the condition of the person to be inoculated, or without regard to the person's susceptibility or sensitivity to different items contained in the vaccine?

It is little wonder people are losing faith in Medical Men.

California State Department of Public Health statement July 1st, 1959:

Cases reported this month

	June - July	1959	1958	1957
Poliomyelitis	15	17	43	
Paralytic	*14	10	21	
Non Paralytic	1	7	22	

Total Cases for year to date
January to July 1st

	1959	1958	1957
Poliomyelitis	74	64	169
Paralytic	*64	37	88
Non Paralytic	10	27	81

*Note the continued increase in the number of paralytic cases compared to the total number of cases reported. It has always been claimed the Salk vaccine was to prevent the paralytic type. We wonder why this great increase. The report does not state how many of these cases had taken the shots. It would appear that good judgment would urge caution in forcing people to take these shots until more is known about this vaccination riddle. Where statistics are available the percentage of vaccinated who have the paralytic type is just a fraction over 49% of the total of that type. Approximately 45% of the folks in the polio danger ages have been vaccinated with the Salk preparation. If indeed "The Proof of the Pudding is in the Eating" it would appear the Salk vaccine is not only a failure, but an actual danger.

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Hon. Byron Rumford
Chairman Public Health Committee
State Capitol Building
Sacramento 14, California

Dear Sir

KILL Bill A. B. 1940! This is a vicious, un-American, immoral, unscientific and illegal move to force Salk vaccine on all children.

The Salk vaccine has not been proven safe or effective - it has been exposed publicly as a complete fiasco.

We have not and will not let our children be injected with this vaccine!
We will leave the state or even go to jail if necessary if this bill becomes a law.

We are expecting you to do all you can to KILL Bill A.B. 1940!

Sincerely

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ONE LETTER FROM HUSBAND

ONE LETTER FROM WIFE

A TEAM EFFORT!

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Chairman Rumford, and members of the Assembly Public Health Committee:

I am Don C. Matchan, publisher of Herald of Health magazine, 709 Mission Street, San Francisco, and secretary of the National Health Federation of the same address. Mr. Fred J. Hart, president of National Health Federation, had intended to be here today but the illness of his wife prevented. I am acting in his behalf...We appreciate the opportunity to be heard, and will be brief.

1. We believe this type of legislation should always be reserved, if used at all, for epidemic and highly contagious diseases. Science has not yet proven polio to be in this classification.

2. We believe this type of legislation should not specify the remedy to be used, and we are pleased that the authors of this bill are in accord.

3. It is our firm conviction that this type of legislation violates the individual's basic rights, since it does not provide an escape clause to exempt pupils whose parents or guardian may file written objection.

We would urge that this bill be tabled, or referred to an Interim Committee for further study. If such action is not taken, we would urge that lines 32 and 33 be changed as follows: after the word "letter" in line 32, the following words be inserted to replace the existing phraseology: "objecting to such immunization."

Four states have had compulsory polio vaccination laws for two or more years. Among them is Ohio, which, however, provided for the exemption as recommended above. In the three states which have no "escape clause," incidentally, polio has increased 200 to 300 per cent. An Interim Committee certainly could unearth information which would be of great value to the Legislature in assessing the whole matter.

Another point that merits consideration is the cost of such a program. During 1959 there were only 504 cases of polio in California, and in 1960, a total of 424 cases. With the approximately two million children in the state, assuming that the recommended four injections are given, the annual cost would be somewhere in the neighborhood of \$22,000,000.

If there were indisputable evidence and full agreement that the immunization programs of the past had been effective, then one could not argue about cost. But

if you please, there is much doubt, in responsible quarters, as to the efficacy of the Salk vaccine. I shall file for Committee study an article prepared by Ernest B. Zeisler, M. D., a private practitioner and Clinical Associate Professor of Medicine at Chicago Medical School. Dr. Zeisler goes so far as to label the publicity which has come out from official sources regarding the value of Salk vaccine as, quote:

"deliberate falsehood with intent to deceive, or unconscionable stupidity." unquote.

AD LIB! TRIPLE VACCINE - CHICAGO FAILURE - WHO REPORT - FLUCTUATION

It is significant, gentlemen, that only last month the Journal of the American Medical Association, in an article by Dr. Herbert Ratner, health commissioner of Oak Park, Ill., stated, quote: "It is now generally recognized that much of the Salk vaccine used in the United States has been worthless." One of the Journal editors told the Washington News that the Public Health Service had, quote, "jumped the gun", unquote, in licensing Salk vaccine, and has been, quote, "trying to save face," unquote, ever since.

It is interesting to note that in 1960, 88% of those contracting polio had it with some degree of paralysis. The year before Salk vaccine was inaugurated, the percentage of paralytic cases to the total was 24.6%. And it should be remembered that when Salk vaccine was introduced, both Dr. Salk and the Public Health Service stated that the vaccine was designed to immunize against the paralytic type. Statistics show it not only has failed to accomplish the stated purpose, but that the number of paralytic cases of polio actually has increased.

If I may touch on Point No. 1--that in our opinion there is a question as to whether polio is contagious: Many reputable laboratory scientists and medical men of wide experience in experimentation with and treatment of polio are on record as stating that the disease actually originates within the body, that it is not contagious. Among these men are Ralph R. Scobey, M. D.: Archives of Pediatrics; J. E. R. McDonagh, M. D., The Universe Through Medicine; Joseph Melnick, M. D., Tidskrift for Halsa (Danish medical publication); and John A. Toomey, M. A., Science.

Benjamin P. Sandler, M. D., author of Diet Prevents Polio, demonstrated in 1948 while located in Asheville, North Carolina, that the disease rate during the so-called epidemic in 1948 dropped significantly (figures and statistics in his book) after parents took the simple advice of forbidding candy, ice cream, cakes, pies and soft drinks! In 1941 Dr. Sandler's experiments in New York revealed that the polio virus cannot affect

the nerve systems of animals with a high blood sugar level. For instance, rabbits have a blood sugar value of 100 mg. or more, and rabbits cannot contract polio until the blood sugar value has been artificially lowered--Dr. Sandler did this with insulin, and death came to the animals within a few hours. Monkeys, whose kidneys are used to produce Salk vaccine, have a blood sugar value of 40 to 50 mg., about half that of the rabbit. After making these discoveries, Dr. Sandler started looking toward body chemistry for answers. He states, unequivocally, quote: "A proper diet, eliminating sugar foods, cutting down drastically on starchy foods, substituting certain vegetables and protective protien-type foods, avoiding exertion, avoiding swimming in cold water, and getting ample rest throughout the polio danger period, can build up in 24 hours! time a resistance in the human body sufficiently strong to combat the disease...The diet campaign of 1948 prevented 5,000 cases during the period from August 7 to December 31, 1948." Unquote.

Others in the profession who believe polio is a nutritional deficiency disease include such men as W. J. McCormack, M. D., Toronto; C. W. Jungeblut, M. D., Columbia University; William Albrecht, Ph.D., University of Missouri; J. F. Edwards, M. D., Manitoba; Virgil A. Davis, M. D., and M. H. August, M. D., New York City.

I do not pose as an expert. I do believe, however, that there is sufficient responsible medical opinion in support of the nutritional factor to at least justify inclusion of the so-called escape clause,—that is, to give the parent who believes in this approach the opportunity to follow it—without being compelled to have the children inoculated if this is contrary to their principles.

In conclusion, then, in the light of the foregoing evidence, the fact the profession itself is divided as to efficacy of the Salk vaccine and the cause and spread of paralytic polio—we respectfully ask that A. B. 1940 either be tabled indefinitely, or referred to an Interim Committee, or that it provide for exemption upon filing of written objection by the parent or guardian.

I am filing some supporting documents which time does not permit me to detail.

Thank you for the chance to appear before you!

Sonoma County Organic Club

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Dr Zeisler M.D. has written an exhaustive analysis of the failure
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This is a Pressure Group Bill, and should be decisively slapped
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Respectfully yours,

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April 7th. 1961

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Dear Mr. Rumford:-

Attached is a copy of a letter I have just written to Assemblyman DeLotto. It is self explanatory. I am so in hope you and he will bring in my suggested amendment, as an authors amendment.

It is very simple;-

" On page 2 at the end of line 33 -strike the words religious beliefs-and substitute the word -"wishes"- that will do the trick and the bill will be in keeping with American traditional philosophy. "Progress is best made in all things by education rather than by compulsion."

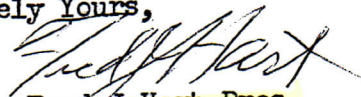
I still believe the cause of good legislation would be best served by a two year interim study. A big issue is cost in proportion to good accomplished and also how best can the job be done at a fair cost etc. .

The question of the potency and effectiveness of the vaccine ,needs also to be determined.

In any event, if the judgement of the committee is to move along with the bill, at this session and you amend it as we have suggested, we will go along with the bill and not oppose it on the floor of the Assembly.

Thanking you for your cooperation and your always sympathetic reception of the views of the citizens, I am,

Sincerely Yours,


Fred J. Hart Pres.

April 7th, 1961

Assemblyman DeLotto
Assembly Office Bldg.
State Capitol
Savramento, California

Dear Mr. DeLotto:-

Thank you so much for your courteous letter to me in answer to mine regarding Bill No. 1940. Thanks also for the courteous treatment afforded MR. Don Matchan, who represented me at the hearing.

While I still think the bill should go to interim hearing because of the unsettled state of the vaccine matter and because of the enormous cost in proportion ~~to~~ the need of protection, as such need now exists in California, according to the State Department of Public Health figures. I would not oppose the bill further in the Assembly Committee if you would amend the bill as follows:-
On page two at the end of line 33, strike out the words religious beliefs and substitute therefor the word wishes

The foregoing amendment will make the bill in conformity with our American traditions. In America "Progress in all things is made by education and not by compulsion" as in the old world. Let us stick to this philosophy, ~~the~~ practice of which has made America Great and kept its people free.

Thanking you in advance for your kind consideration of this request,
I am,

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Mr. William Byron Rumford, Assemblyman
Assembly Offices
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Dear Assemblyman Rumford:

This letter is written to let you know the position of the California members of the National Health Federation on certain pieces of legislation now under consideration by the Legislature.

The Federation is interested that all legislation in the health field be examined from the standpoint of whether it is good for the sick folks of California, not from the standpoint of its benefit to the sponsoring person or organization in order to receive that which they cannot obtain in a legitimate manner. We are sure you desire thus to consider legislation, and are therefore anxious to hear from the public.

With this thought in mind, we are taking the liberty of calling to your attention certain legislation and giving you our viewpoint.

1 - A.B. 1940 - which if enacted into law would not allow any person to attend public or private schools unless and until immunized against Polio. We believe:

A. Because of the muddled condition of the Polio vaccine question, it would be unwise to legislate on the subject at this time.

B. If the judgment of the Legislature is otherwise, then the bill should be amended on page 2 line 33 to exempt those whose parents or guardians file written objections. We have been assured this will be done - so the question which remains is - is it wise to force the issue at the cost to the residents of the State of not less than twenty-two million dollars each year? See attached information.

2 - A.B. 843 - by Assemblyman Hanna, which has for its avowed purpose the protection of the sick. We believe the real purpose is to stop competition. To substantiate this point, we submit a copy of a letter sent out by its sponsors. See attached. The last paragraph of the attached letter of the sponsors states the real purpose of the bill and Senate Bill 819. The bill as now written is evil in intent and should be amended:

A. To confine its enforcement to laboratory procedures and efficiency, and not penalize a laboratory because it finds it can do a job for a fair price.

B. As the bill is now written, it would close up laboratories that now do laboratory work for Drugless Doctors. If the bill is amended to (1) force a licensed laboratory to do work for all Doctors in good standing with their respective Boards, regardless of whether they were medical or drugless; or (2) force the licensing board to recognize laboratories licensed by the Osteopathic Board or the Chiropractic Board. Experience shows that laboratories catering to the medical branch of the healing art are now afraid to make tests for the drugless branch.

3 - Senate Bill 819 - is a bald attempt on the part of technicians to get the Legislature to increase the educational requirements to a point where we will have fewer technicians, because of the cost of taking time out for the unnecessary year of higher education. This extra year cannot under any circumstances be justified on the ground of greater ability to do the job now being done so well. We believe this bill should be referred to an interim committee. To the end the Legislature can ascertain if such a purpose as this bill purports to accomplish is needed, and is for the best interest of the public. See attached letter from the California Association of Medical Laboratory Technologists, who are the sponsors of this legislation. Both A.B. 843 and S.B. 819, if approved, would certainly raise the price of laboratory services, which are already so high as to be almost prohibitive. Please give the foregoing suggestions your earnest consideration.

Our members favor any bill which will give Chiropractors the right to participate in all insurance matters relating to health. This is the largest branch of the healing art, outside of the medical branch, and ~~as~~ is in the minds of many of our Federation members, the correct approach to keeping the body in a normal condition.

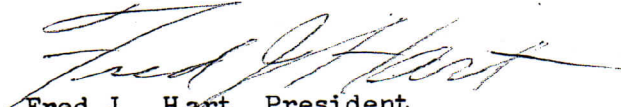
Our Federation members look with favor on the bill which would place a layman on all boards created by the State. We favor any bill which would give the State the right to look into the records of hospitals and give the State the right to insist that all practices and charges be justified by good factual evidence of the necessity.

We also favor any bill which will give the Attorney General's Office the right to require all fund raising organizations in the health field to render to that office complete financial reports each year, in such detail as will allow that office to see to it that such funds are wisely expended for the purpose for which such funds were given by the public.

We know you are very busy. This letter is written to save you time, yet let you know our thinking regarding this important legislation.

With all good wishes, I am,

Sincerely yours,


Fred J. Hart, President
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Enclosures

P.S. We feel that all honest sponsors of legislation should not object to having written into their bills a clause which would state, "no section of this bill shall be used for any purpose or in any manner than to accomplish the written objectives of the bill, and to having those objectives so clearly written into the bill as will not allow for misinterpretation to the injury of the public, or for the selfish interests of the sponsors".

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