

S. 1873
Biodefense and Pandemic Vaccine and Drug Development Act of 2005
(Bioshield)

The Honorable (Senator First/Last Name)
Address

Dear Senator (Last Name);

I am writing in opposition to S.1873, the Biodefense and Pandemic Vaccine and Drug Development Act of 2005.

This "Bioshield" legislation is anti-consumer in its secretiveness and protection of an American's right to a trial by jury if harmed by an experimental or licensed drug or vaccine for a biochemical attack or pandemic natural incident involving biological pathogens. This legislation establishes a clandestine federal agency, the Biomedical Advanced Research and Development Agency (BARDA), untouchable by the Freedom of Information Act, for the research and development of drugs and vaccines. If enacted into law, this bill would prevent Americans injured by an experimental flu or anthrax vaccine, that they are mandated to take, from exercising their Constitutional right to a jury trial even if it is revealed that a pharmaceutical company engaged in criminal fraud and negligence.

This legislation is anti-consumer, undemocratic, and does not deserve your support. I hope that you will vote against S.1873 when the Senate votes. I appreciate your consideration and look forward to knowing what your position is on this important health-freedom-of-choice bill.

Sincerely,
