Senator Tillis’ Idiotic Response to my May letter regarding H.R. 2232:

Dear Mr. Phillips, J.d.

Thank you for taking the time to share your thoughts regarding vaccination. I appreciate hearing from you and welcome the opportunity to respond.

Vaccinations have saved millions of lives from diseases that used to terrify communities around the world. They are considered the gold standard in disease control to which public health research aspires. Currently, policies governing vaccination requirement and exemptions to those requirements fall under the jurisdiction of states rather than the federal government. Therefore, I would recommend that you contact your State Senator and State Representatives and share your concerns with them.

Contact information for your state officials can be obtained on the State website: http://www.ncleg.net/ You can also contact the Governor through his website: http://www.governor.state.nc.us.

As your U.S. Senator, it is helpful to hear your concerns with how the federal government is operating and your opinions on the important issues that confront North Carolina and our nation. Feel free to contact me again if I can be of further assistance.

Sincerely,

Thom Tillis
U.S. Senator

Why this response is idiotic:

1. I signed my name with “J.D.,” not “J.d.” Does this federal Senator not know what a Juris Doctor is?!

2. My letter included information explaining, via official government statistics, why vaccines are not the reason we have low disease death rates today;

3. His referring me to state representatives reveals that he couldn’t even recognize the citation for a federal bill.