

Dear members of the Senate Health Care committee,

I am a licensed speech and language pathologist who has worked with children with Autism for 20 years. During that time I have utilized interventions based on ABA principles and have developed an ABA based parent-training program that is utilized nationally and internationally.

I am writing to express my support of SB696. The proposals that have been put forth by Senator Bates and the Senate committee represent a broad consensus of professionals who utilize techniques based on ABA principles.

These corrections are critical to ensure that children with ASD have access to Applied Behavior Analysis based behavioral therapies as well as the other treatment options for autism that may be required.

Thank you for your work on this important matter and for the opportunity to comment.

Sincerely,

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