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Measure: HB2457

As a member of an agency that supports adults with intellectual and developed mental disabilities I am writing in support of HB 2457. Direct Support Professionals support adults with IDD & DD in their everyday lives. Their job duties can be difficult but are crucial in every manor. Not only do they support individuals in things such as their medical needs but they also provide support with other tasks which can include challenging behaviors. I cannot express truly how crucial Direct Support Professionals are not only to the individuals we support but to the community that they reside in. Direct Support Professionals are incredible advocates for these individuals and should be compensated due to their highly skilled work and resiliency. I support the passage of HB2457 so that the DSP workforce can be compensated for the highly skilled work duties that they perform on a daily basis.

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