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I support HB 2457 because I am part of a company that supports individuals with disabilities. The work of these positions are critical to the people we support. As of right now there are positions in fast food and retail that are entry level that pay more than what a starting Direct Support Professional makes. This work is so important to the people we support without our help they would not be able to live the fulfilling lives that they do. The pay for caregivers should reflect the hard work and emotional support that is provided.