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Dear Committee members, I am submitting this in support of HB2697. I am an oncology social worker at a major hospital in the metro area. We have been critically short staffed at times and without the specialized and trained chemotherapy nurses patients must have. This is not simply a matter of an extra patient to be taken care of. But patients who are literally undergoing chemotherapy and have to have a specialist to administer to them. We must have staffing plans and committees. And not simply expect patients and their nurses to suffer and potentially be at risk because of mismanagement and inadequate staffing and planning. Thank you.