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Please prioritize DD wages and support full funding of IDD services in HB 5026. I am asking that you not only protect your previous investment, but that you continue to help move this workforce out of crisis by supporting HB 2457 - it moves DSP wages to 150% of minimum wage. DSPs work incredibly hard taking care of other people's family members, often not making enough to support themselves. Most are just above the poverty level and need support or a 2nd income to make ends meet. DSPs are vital to Disability Services and deserve to be paid a living wage.