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On Behalf Of:

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My name is Carolynn Kohout. I am a Personal Care Attendant (PCA) and I am testifying in support of SB 1505. Care workers of all kinds need to have wage equity and equal basic standards. I know this board doesn't cover PCA's as written. I support SB 1505 because all care jobs need to be valued and funded with wages and benefits at the same level: wages, and benefits (medical easily accessible medical coverage, dental care, and optical care).

Workers need a "seat at the table", which means here, anyone who feels wronged and or slighted needs to have accessible a person who can raise the issue to attempt to remedy it to speak to on the Work Standards Board. There is to be representatives of workers, management, and State government to speak to and solve problems.