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Hello I'm Henry Sause. I'm a home care worker from Portland, Oregon. In the demanding world of caregiving, where dedication meets daily challenges, our home and community-based service workers stand as pillars of support for the vulnerable. Yet, for too long, inconsistent standards have left them without the recognition and resources they deserve.

This bill is a step forward for all care workers. The Senate Bill in question creates the Home and Community-Based Services Workforce Standards Board, empowering it to establish fair wages, comprehensive training, and professional benchmarks that uplift every caregiver in our state.

By prioritizing equitable pay and enhanced skills, we reduce turnover, attract top talent, and ensure sustainable careers in this vital field. This isn't just reform—it's progress, fostering a workforce that's valued, prepared, and ready to deliver exceptional care.

Imagine empowered caregivers thriving, families reassured, and communities strengthened. This bill propels us toward that reality.

I call on you to champion this bill. Together, let's take this essential step forward for all care workers—and for Oregon's brighter future. Support 1505.