

Melissa Taube
Testimony on HB 33
Supporting the DD Workforce

My name is Melissa Taube and I've been a DSP for 10 years. I love this job with all that I am but I've had many financial hardships that no amount of OT has been able to resolve. My supervisors work hard and care for all of us staff and individuals but it gets to be very stressful when you have bills to pay, rent, etc. We've also had to lose long standing residential clients because of similar factors. I am begging lawmakers to take action to raise wages for workers in the DD system so that both staff and individuals never have to deal with any hardships. Thank you for taking the time to read my testimony and for your careful consideration of how to resolve this critical issue.