## Celeste Barr Testimony on HB 33 Supporting the DD Workforce 3/22/23

Hello, my name is Celeste Barr I am a single mom of 5 girls with twins who have had mental issues since birth. Aside from being a mom I have devoted 13yrs of my life in the health care field working on the front line as a Direct support Professional. My family is one of many families who have been hugely impacted by the pandemic crisis. Since covid arrived I have dealt with multiple illness, huge financial burdens, loss wages and a load of new mental health issues just with my children alone. Work has been very overwhelming. I would like to share my story in hopes to inspire the minds of others who will someday change the world and help generate wealth amongst striving individuals across the world.