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Good Morning Senator Claxton, Representative Myer and members of the Health and Human Services Committee. I am in support of LD 1573 An Act To Implement the Recommendations of the Commission To Study Longer-Term Care Workforce Issues. It is vital that DSP's make a livable wage for all the responsibilities we have in order to keep the health and safety of the people we support. Some hardships would be short staff, living week to week higher cost rates expenses with day to day living cost which includes rent food gas child expenses and as you can imagine the list goes on. The work and dedication that not only myself but all DSP support provide is crucial not onlu for our consumers but for our team it takes a special person to provide support empathy and compassion on a daily basis and i feel that we should be recognized for the hard work each of us do day to continie to provide the support our consumers deserve, and so that we can continue what we love to do and at the same time not struggle. Thank you again for your consideration