

Chair Taylor Members of the Committee,

Before I started signing up for overtime to avoid being able to be mandated, I had been mandated at least two times a week. I have to sign up for voluntary overtime every day that I work in order to go home and get the rest I need. One week I was mandated 3 times consecutively and almost a fourth before someone volunteered last minute.

The stress of working so many extra hours a week has increased my depression and anxiety, which at times affects my day to day performance. It makes it difficult to be able to stay as alert as we should be to insure our individuals are safe and receiving appropriate care.

I have been unable to spend the time I want/need with my family, including my 3-month-old son.

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