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I have had to save my child's life twice today, and have been caregiving them since 6 am this morning, as I write this at 8 pm. It's a non-stop job that doesn't allow me to make money while I do it. Without this work, my child would not be doing well; and would have possibly been hospitalized today. This is just a snap shot of one day. Please support SB1565. Despite what was put out about this Bill, it is a budget neutral option. The budget is already there in the DD services budget; there is nothing additional needed, as this has already been budgeted under attendant care. All that would need to happen is to allow parents to be DSPs/PSWs. Medicaid/CMS supports Oregon (and all other states) doing this. Please do the right thing for children with disabilities and vote through SB1565.