I very much support SB 692. Both of my children were born prematurely and had lost their sucking reflex. It was such a frightening time for me. I was not prepared to have a baby in the NICU for two weeks. Then along with some other health complications I really wanted to nurse my children. I was able to use lactation consultants to help me to learn how to nurse using a nipple shield. These women were so supportive and very caring. I can happily say that I was able to nurse both of my children for over 12 months and these consultants were a part of my journey. They really were so important and such a valuable resource in our communities. I hope we are able to have access to doulas and lactation consultants for all moms.

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