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As a parent of a child with a disability, I strongly support HB 2682. Our child has received early intervention services since infancy and those supports have been critical to his development and thriving. They've offered help and encouragement to us as parents to care for him on his journey, support for our child's development of critical skills, and guidance as we've navigated the many challenges of his situation. The critical care that early intervention and early childhood offer are essential for assuring kids experiencing disabilities have the best chance to learn and thrive. These services must be funded at an appropriate level. Being the parent of a child with a disability can be isolating, overwhelming, and exhausting. Let's make sure we've giving these families the support they need.