

Submitter: Fellows Amy
On Behalf Of: Advocates for Disability Supports
Committee: Joint Committee On Ways and Means Subcommittee On
Human Services
Measure, Appointment or Topic: SB5547

Joint Committee on Ways and Means-

Please vote yes on Senate Bill 538, also known as Tensy's Law. The bill would increase access to Oregon's Children's Extraordinary Needs (CEN) waiver; allow parents of minors to be personal support workers; and ensure this compensation comes from already-obligated funding. Without adequate in-home support, families face the heartbreaking decision of placing their child in an institution or struggling without care. Many parents are left with no choice but to quit their jobs, take unpaid leave, or forgo sleep to meet their child's needs. Tensy's Law offers a fiscally responsible approach that prioritizes both budget efficiency and better health outcomes.

Thank you,
Amy Fellows
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