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Appropriations Committee and Staff

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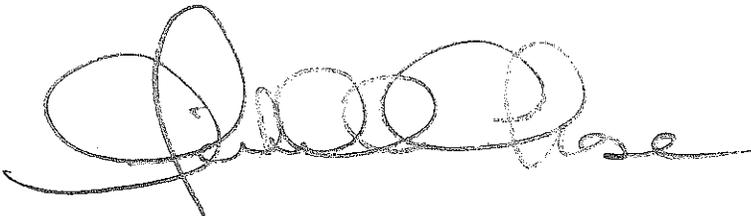
SB 21 An Act Defining The Expenditure Cap

HB 5016 An Act Implementing The Governor's Recommendations Concerning General Government

Hello, my name is Michelle Chase, I am a single mother of 2 children. I have a permanent disability and I have often had to request the help of the Office of Protection and Advocacy to help me advocate in areas such as education for my children, housing, legal assistance and many others. I am urging the Legislation to keep and protect the Identity of the Office of Protection and Advocacy as an Independent Advocacy Safeguard for those with disabilities. This is the only way that constituents like me and others with disabilities will continue to receive fair, equal and protective services under the law.

Thank you,

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Michelle Chase". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large initial "M" and "C".

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