

To Committee Members,

My name is Joan Muhlfeld and I live in Bethel. My daughter Deborah attends one of the day programs at Ability Beyond also in Bethel. Ability is a GREAT facility for individuals with medical and developmental disabilities.

My daughter has greatly benefitted from her attendance at Ability- her seizures have decreased in frequency, she's more social with others, and was a part of the ATLAS program in preparation of a job.

Without Ability in Deb's life, her life would be very different; and mine also-I can go to work knowing that she is in competent hands.

Budget cuts to Ability affects many people-consumers, staff, and the many businesses that consumers work at.

Please don't cut DDS funding!!-please continue to help serve those who deserve and NEED funding to continue to be productive individuals.

Joan Muhlfeld

Sent from my iPad