

To: Health and Government Operations Committee

My name is Mimi Hassanein.

I'm writing this email to support **HB 666 - Workgroup Screening Related to Adverse Childhood Experiences** and **HB 628 - Health Occupations – Primary Care Providers – Adverse Childhood Experiences Screening**.

As an owner of Three Child care, I can understand the importance of passing the 2 bills.

Mental health and the Well Being of the children starts at an early age. It is not ONE Cut fits all.

Every child is born with different needs. Those needs have to be met and acknowledge to be able to build a strong and healthy Society.

As an educator, I would support creating a fund to provide grants to primary care providers who carry out screenings on minors for mental health disorders caused by or related to adverse childhood experiences. The fund would be used to provide grants to the primary care providers carrying out the program's mandate, and pay any expenses incurred from the administration of the program.

It is cheaper to provide the screening on minors for mental health disorders than providing more beds at the prison.

Please I ask for your support on passing HB 666 and HB 628.

Best regards,

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