

**SB868 The Self-Direction Act
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Favorable with amendments**

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**Subject: Urgent health and safety issue - NOTICE OF EXPIRED BUDGET STATUS – FMS
STOP PAYMENT – Dept 3388**

My son, Michael Fine, requires 24 hour a day care due to significant disabilities and severe self-injury and aggression. He has been approved for Medicaid Waiver self-directed services -which he needs for health and safety reasons- since 2005.

We were notified tonight that the FMS is stopping payment for services due to the DDA's failure to process his current IP and budget in time. The new budget was supposed to go into effect on Jan 1, 2021. We submitted the budget to the DDA months ahead of the deadline. My son's CCS requested a phone meeting to resolve issues via e-mail on Feb 9, 2022.

No one from the DDA will even respond to her. We can not resolve the issue since no one from the DDA will talk to us. We cannot exercise our legal right to file an appeal under Medicaid regulations since no one from the DDA will issue a denial in writing. It is my understanding that Medicaid regulations require that health and safety needs of participants

Sincerely,

Anna Burns

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