



Desmond Langston --

One Example of Costly and Ill-conceived policy related to 24/7 support

- Living with multiple disabilities since being born prematurely.
 - Intense medical and physical needs.
 - Wants to move to the home his family secured for him
 - Wants to keep his highly qualified, dedicated staff and maintain their pay and benefits.
 - **DDA's policies are prohibiting that AND costing the state more money – At least \$40,000!**
- LOSE-LOSE**

**SB441 offers a way to give Desi and the State a WIN – WIN!
Please help Desi and the many other people caught in this situation!**

Desmond Langston Cost Comparisons	Desi's Preferred Services: Personal Supports which is the Most Cost Effective for State as required in waiver service definition	DDA's Option: Supported Living published rate as of 1-1-21
Items the same in each option	\$64,284.47	\$64,284.47
Personal Supports; Staff Pay Rate \$19.60 to \$23.75; Nine Holidays Paid at Holiday Differential, 1.5X	\$175,241.84	
Supported Living; staff pay rate \$14.71/hour; unknown benefits; paid at \$590.18/day		\$215,415.70
Total:	\$239,526.31	\$279,700.17
Minimum Savings: WIN-WIN!	\$40,173.86	

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