



Disability Rights Legislative Day 2017



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Save our SERVICES!

State Budget: 20,000 people with disabilities are having essential services threatened by cuts to their in-home services and supports.

- The cuts would have been devastating to people who need support services the most.
- People will be more likely to use emergency rooms, develop more serious conditions and need more intense services in the future.

Help people with disabilities WORK!

SB 203 & HB 769: Strengthen the MO HealthNet buy-in for workers with disabilities program:

- This legislation helps protect people with disabilities from losing their MO HealthNet coverage when they go to work and earn money.

HB 1052: Employment First:

- All state agencies would be required to make competitive employment in integrated settings the first and priority option when providing assistance or resources to individuals with disabilities.

Help people with disabilities be more INDEPENDENT!

HB 626 & SB 465: Modify provisions of guardianship and conservatorship law, placing greater emphasis on the choices and preferences of wards.

- People with disabilities who have guardians essentially lose all their rights. This legislation is meant to help make sure decisions made about them, are not made without them.

Prevent holes in the LIFE LINE!

SCS/SB 28 – Requires the Department of Social Services to apply for a global waiver for MO HealthNet.

- If Federal match funds are capped, supports and services for people with disabilities may be cut or wait listed.
- In the event of life-threatening emergencies, the state will either bare the full cost with no Federal match, or let the consequences happen because there are no resources to help.