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Agency: DEPARTMENT AGING AND DISABILITY SERVICES DADS

First Name: ISABEL

Last Name: DE LA PENA

Title:

Organization you are affiliated with:

City: El Paso

State: Texas

Your Comments About the Staff Report, Including Recommendations Supported or
Opposed:

Dear legislation commission and senator Nelson, My name is Isabel De La Pena, I'm 18 years old and I was born with CP. Im very much dependant of people to move me, change me, bath me, feed me, etc.

Im under the Class waiver, this waiver allows me to live at home with my family. I hire my own attendant. I thank God for my family that choose me rather than putting me in an institution. I asked that God will touch your hearts and decide to close the state support living centers. I visited one once because my mom was visiting someone at the SSCL's and the things I saw, scared me very much. I had nightmares for weeks. I thank God for my siblings and moms love. I also thank God for having the class waiver and I would not have to be institutionalize. I also, asked in the name of many people that are on the waiting list for someone to help them pay for their care in the community. Please, close the SSCL's and invest that money back in the people that want to live in the community and cant afford to because they don't have a waiver to help them. I pray for the people in the institutions and their families to care for them at home. No one deserves to live in those places. I invite you all to go and visit these places unannounced and see for yourself that I don't lie what Im telling you. If you want to invest more money, I ask in the name of God to invest in us, the people that want to live in our homes, in our community and can't because we cant afford it. I also ask that please raise our waiver budget so I can pay a little more my attendants and provide medical insurance.

May God Bless You, our Beautiful State and our Country .

Sincerely '
Isabel De La Pena
El Paso Texas

Any Alternative or New Recommendations on This Agency:

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My Comment Will Be Made Public: I agree