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**House district 17 Position 2**

***Do you have a personal connection or professional experience with someone who has an intellectual/developmental disability? (I/DD) If so would you describe its impact on you? How would it affect you in this job?***

[I am the Chair of the Skamania and Klickitat Developmentally Disabled Advisory Board](#)

***What are your top three priorities and how would you ensure people with developmental disabilities and their families are included in them?***

Cost of Living, Crime, Industry. Families and self advocates of IDD all experience an increase of cost of living, reducing crime makes IDD lives better by being able to access resources, like public transportation, safely. Supporting small businesses and bringing industry to Washington provides more job opportunities for everyone including IDD.

***Washington is 38th in the Nation for per-capita spending for individuals with I/DD. Would improving this statistic be a priority for you, and if so, what would your strategy be?***

Proper allocation of funds is one of the top issues for me in Olympia. By doing this I hope to increase the resources that can be used to improve this number.

***Is there other information you'd like constituents with developmental disabilities and their family and friends to know?***

As a small business owner that employed member of the IDD community for three years, I am a strong advocate for ARC.