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Louisiana Citizens for Action Now

Information Alert - Advocacy Update

The Senate Finance Committee met on Saturday, May 30th, to hear public testimony on the State Budget for Fiscal Year 2016. Twenty-eight LaCAN members were in attendance to show their support for developmental disabilities services. Five of these members provided testimony before the committee on the need for increased funding to the home and community-based waiver program, Families Helping Families, and EarlySteps.

Several committee members including Chairman Jack Donahue of Mandeville, Sen. Dan Claitor of Baton Rouge, Sen. Norby Chabert of Houma, and Sen. Bodi White of Baton Rouge, all expressed their support.

Click [here](#) to watch the video. Testimonies begin at the 4:00 mark and end at 41:30.

Our testimony caught the attention of the press. Read [an article in The Advocate](#) and listen to [a story on NPR](#) about LaCAN's advocacy. News stories also aired on Baton Rouge TV stations Saturday evening featuring interviews with LaCAN members.

Thanks to all who traveled to the Capitol to show support. A special thanks to Kevira Johnson, Elaine Harmon, Rhiannon Traigle, Mark Stephens, and TaRhonda Chube for sharing their stories.



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