



March 13, 2008

To All Members of the Provincial Legislature:


The Ontario Disability Support Program (ODSP) faces an understaffing crisis. Frontline staff in Ontario currently handle, on average, 530 cases for every one worker. This is more than twice the caseload ratio found in other Canadian provinces.

The understaffing crisis in the ODSP directly affects the delivery of public services to more than 325,000 disabled Ontarians, all of whom struggle to survive on incomes below the poverty line.

The Ontario Public Service Employees Union (OPSEU) represents more than 1,200 ODSP workers. OPSEU is calling on the McGuinty government to add \$60 million in this month's provincial budget to bring the ODSP caseload ratio closer to the national average.

Please let us know where you stand.

Please mark your ballot and return by **Tuesday March 18** to **Fax 416-443-1762**.

	<input type="checkbox"/>	YES I support adding \$60 million in this spring's budget to address the ODSP understaffing crisis
	<input type="checkbox"/>	NO I do not support adding funds to the ODSP in this spring's budget to address the understaffing crisis

For more information about the ODSP understaffing crisis please visit:

<http://www.opseu.org/ops/ministry/odsp/odspindex.htm>

MPP Name _____

Party _____

Constituency _____

Thank you!

Roxanne Barnes, Chair
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