

The proposed 43% cut to Disability Rights of West Virginia (DRWV)'s protection and advocacy funding would have a significant and immediate impact on a state that already faces unique challenges regarding its disability population.

Below you will find a short phone or voicemail script that you can use to contact West Virginia legislators if you so choose.

- **Call Senator Jim Justice:** 202-224-3954
- **Call Senator Shelley Moore Capito:** 202-224-6472
- **Call Representative Carol Miller:** 202-225-3452
- **Call Representative Riley Moore:** 202-225-2711

**Short phone or voicemail script:**

“Hello, my name is [Your Name], and I’m a resident of [City/Town]. I’m calling to express my concern about the proposed cuts to funding for the Protection and Advocacy programs in West Virginia, including PAIR, PAIMI, PAVA, and CAP.

These programs are vital for protecting the rights and safety of our most vulnerable residents. Additionally, with proposed cuts to the University Centers for Excellence in Developmental Disabilities, like the WVU CED, these combined reductions would significantly disrupt essential services for individuals with disabilities across the state.

A loss of funding would impact access to healthcare, housing, voting rights, and protection from abuse or neglect. I strongly urge you to oppose these cuts and support maintaining or increasing funding for these programs.

Thank you for your time and for advocating for the well-being of West Virginia’s residents with disabilities.”