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Via Electronic Mail

To: **Joint Subcommittee on Human Services**; [others].

**Re: I OPPOSE [SB 5529]... *The appropriations out of the General Fund are unacceptable.***

[SB 5529] excerpts states, "SECTION 1. There are appropriated to the Department of Human Services, for the biennium beginning July 1, 2021, **out of the General Fund**, the following amounts, for the following purposes:

- (1) Central services ..... \$ 108,479,079
- (2) State assessments and enterprise-wide costs ..... \$ 305,597,691
- (3) Self-sufficiency programs..... \$ 480,502,270
- (4) Vocational rehabilitation services ..... \$ 29,187,767
- (5) Child welfare programs..... \$ 889,934,481
- (6) Aging and people with disabilities programs..... \$ 1,413,041,541
- (7) Intellectual/developmental disabilities programs..... \$ 1,244,534,205
- 8) Debt service ..... \$ 25,759,190"

**The amount of funding "out of the General Fund" is staggering and reflective of taxpayers supporting the "Disability Industrial Complex."**

I am not saying the services are not needed but, the General Fund cannot support this level of expenditures.

**Section( 2)** and **Section (3)** of [SB 5529] are funded out of Federal Government programs.

This funding is unstable for the long term and must be discussed to minimize disruptions in services.

\*\*\*It is of interest to note, the "Testimonies" for [SB 5529] illustrate how many "Non-profit and Public Benefit Corporations" are providing contracted services and it is "No" surprise why [they] support [SB 5529].

\*\*\*How much of the aforementioned appropriations for "contracted services" are "siphoned-off" for "High salaries, benefits , overheads and et cetera?"

How much of the aforementioned appropriations are delineated specifically for care?

The State of Oregon is facing significant financial problems.

The General Fund appropriations for services and debt service (which should be retired) are unacceptable.

I sincerely wish I could support [SB 5529] but, I cannot do so.

*Respectfully submitted,*  
/s/ David S. Wall