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On Behalf Of: WE THE CITIZENS
Committee: Senate Committee On Human Services
Measure, Appointment or Topic: SB611

Dear Lawmakers,

My name is Chad Kernutt, my senator is sara gelser, and I urge you to vote NO on SB-611 opening up American Citizen tax dollars to people who are not Americans and have flouted the laws of our country and violated our sovereignty making them by virtue and by federal statutes, CRIMINALS. We as a society should not encourage bad behavior and the breaking of the laws, let alone reward it like we've already done with giving drivers licenses to illegal immigrants. It's bad enough that illegal immigrants broke our laws in criminally trespassing into our country and making the tax payers have to foot the bill for them already in a myriad of ways such as: their kids flooding our classrooms bloating the sizes and taking resources and focused time from teachers with our American children, using our hospital emergency rooms for all their health care needs and flooding critical health systems making for 4-8 hour wait times in the ER for American citizens. so why would we then go further in making their illegal stays comfortable and beneficial for them by providing them with SNAP/oregon trail cards when that food and money should be going to starving American families and children.

Oregon has continuously expanded food stamp benefits much longer than the average states. This has made Oregon an attractive place to come and receive free services if you are not working or do not plan to work or are an illegal immigrant. Oregon's food stamp system as it is already being abused and users are able to buy most items in a store including junk food, candy, soda pop, chips, and ice cream. You can also use snap benefits in a lot of fast food stores now like pizza shops, and you can even use it to order off exclusive membership and specialty businesses like Thrive Market.

Oregon is already one of the top states in its generosity to non-citizens and handing out its benefits, making us a very attractive nanny state for the countries illegal immigrant population. Oregon previously spent \$29 million for free hotel rooms for non-citizens attracting illegal immigrants from California which helped overwhelm the program and made it run out of funding right after its creation. Oregon created a housing program offering \$30,000 in home down payments for illegal immigrants purchasing homes, and through Governor Kotek's cash program, illegal immigrants that are young and homeless are eligible for \$1000 monthly stipends, something American homeless children don't even receive.

I say enough is enough and no more pandering to law breakers and those who cheat their way to get what they want already showing that it's nothing for them to break the

laws of this country. If you are going to break our laws to get here cheating others who are waiting in line doing it the right way than you should not expect a welcome mat and being able to be indigent and dependent on the citizens of that country and be able to get a free ride and be a free loader with your permanent stay. No these people who broke our laws should only get one thing purchased for them and that's a ticket back to their country of origin or nearest country to their place of origin if they are an asylum seeker with a valid argument/reason. Please vote NO on SB-611 and do no waste our precious resources and tax dollars on those who are criminals and not even American citizens. Thank you.