Dear Legislators,

I'm writing to voice my STRONG OPPOSITION to Senate Bill 611, which would provide state taxpayer-funded food stamps to illegal aliens who are prohibited from receiving SNAP benefits under federal law.

In addition to being a violation of federal law, SB 611 is a HUGE SLAP IN THE FACE to American citizens & legal immigrants. Oregon taxpayers are struggling mightily to put food on the table & this out-of-touch legislature wants to make us pay even MORE so people who break our laws can eat for free??

As you are all aware (but frequently deny) illegal entry into our country is a CRIME (not a civil infraction), a FELONY under 8 USC 1326 & a misdemeanor under 8 USC 1325. The fact that you want hardworking Oregonians to pay for free goodies for foreign criminals is absolutely DESPICABLE! It is no wonder that 13 Oregon counties have now voted to leave their beloved state & join Idaho. When Democrats went around the state on their "listening tour" claiming to want to hear our concerns we thought it was BS, well this is PROOF! It is the responsibility of foreign governments to feed their own citizens, YOUR responsibility is to the citizens of THIS country.

Shame on any legislator who sells out their own constituents in favor of foreign nationals!! If you truly care about actual Oregonians & law-abiding Americans you will do the right thing & vote NO on SB 611. We cannot afford this!!

Sincerely,

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