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I am writing in support of SB 611. In the first few years of our marriage my husband and I experienced food insecurity and food stamps were our lifeline during that difficult period. Over the next 50 years or so I have volunteered with a variety of groups supporting our hard-working undocumented residents - and have seen families struggle as we once did to put food on the table. That is why I am so excited about SB 611! If passed it would provide much needed support for our young (under 18) and old (55 and older) undocumented neighbors. Amidst the wonderful abundance of food here in Oregon - no one should have to go hungry - especially children and elderly folks - just due to undocumented status. Our undocumented neighbors contribute so much to our economy and to the vibrancy of life in Oregon overall - please support them with this essential food assistance. Let's make sure ALL Oregonians are well nourished and healthy! Thank you for your consideration - Margot Lavoie