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On Behalf Of:  
Committee: Senate Committee On Human Services  
Measure, Appointment or Topic: SB611  
NO on SB 611

I am vehemently against SB 611 and I am asking you to vote NO on this bill. Oregon has traditionally expanded food stamp benefits longer than the other states. This has made Oregon an attractive place to come to if you are not working or do not plan to work. Food stamp beneficiaries can buy all manner of junk food and even overly expensive items such as steaks, which is wasteful. Oregon is already generous to non-citizens, such as spending \$29 on free hotel rooms, which attracted non-citizens from California and caused the program to run out of funding, an Oregon housing program offering \$30,000 for home payments, and \$1,000 per month stipends through Governor Kotek's Direct Cash Transfer Program. I, as a citizen, am not afforded these entitlements. How are you going to pay for this? Just the PERS system alone is bankrupting our state. Thank you.

VOTE NO ON SB 611