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immigrant families have strengthened Oregon's economy and enriched our social fabric. Their work taxes contribute to our state's financial health and their traditions and creativity add to the inspiration all of us drawn on from our many cultures to sustain us as we move into an unknown and difficult future. In my personal eperience I have seen how a modest amount of resources made available to an immigrant family is multiplied through their incredible degree of hard work to yield many beneficial results that ripple through a larger community. Please support this bill to facilitate the transition of immigrant families into their full capacity to contribute to our society.