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On Behalf Of:	Working Theory Farm
Committee:	Joint Committee On Ways and Means
Measure, Appointment or Topic:	HB5006

Co-Chair Lieber, Co-Chair Sanchez, and Members of the Committee,

My name is Capers Rumph I am a farmer and educator in Washington County. I am writing to request your support for the Double Up Food Bucks program within the Department of Human Services agency budget (SB 5526).

The Self Sufficiency portion of SB5526 supports continuation of Double Up Food Bucks Oregon, a SNAP incentive program with a proven record of success. For every dollar spent on SNAP-eligible foods at participating farmers markets, farm share programs, and grocery stores across the state, shoppers will receive a dollar to spend on Oregon-grown fruits and vegetables.

This program is important to me because I believe every person deserves access to foods that truly feed them, their families, and their communities. I see the DUFB program is such an elegant solution to this need. Low income families are able to improve their own nutrition and overall health while amplifying their purchasing power to support farmers and other producers in the local food economy, who then reinvest those profits right back into the community. It's a win win win for everyone involved.

I ask you to fully fund the Double Up Food Bucks program within the Department of Human Services agency budget (SB 5526) before the Oregon Legislature adjourns. Thank you for the consideration and for your service.

With Gratitude, Capers Rumph Hillsboro, Oregon