

HB 2219: Government efficiency
Streamlining eligibility processes

From the desk of
Rep. Nancy Nathanson
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Dear Legislator,

The State provides a range of services and options for low-income and vulnerable individuals and families. There are myriad federal rules and regulations that pertain to each and every funding source, and not all of these requirements are within our power to change. But we could do a better job of streamlining and simplifying our eligibility processes. And that's why we want to draw your attention to HB 2219.

Oregonians in need of assistance are spending too much time filling out applications to establish their eligibility for multiple types of aid and assistance programs. Under the current processes, single mothers, veterans, individuals experiencing homelessness and others have to spend hours filling out multiple forms that ask many of the same questions.

Oregon can do better. We urge your support of HB 2219 which initiates a work group to study how to create a **consolidated application process** for Oregonians applying for human and social services to help fix this inefficient and costly process.

Sincerely,

