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On Behalf Of:  
Committee: House Committee On Human Services  
Measure: HB4079

To ALL elected representatives and this committee,

I OPPOSE this sales tax that discriminates on who benefits from it and who pays for it. WHAT HAPPENED TO EQUITY!?! Even those who are hard-core democrat friends of mine are screaming on social media saying NO SALES TAX, THERE ARE ENOUGH FREEBIES FOR THE NEEDY.

We're not callus, we're not cold – WE ARE GIVERS! We CONTRIBUTE and you wouldn't have the programs you do if it weren't for us.

We're not talking about helping the truly disabled. That's not what this is about. This is about people who have all the free services they could ever need and being allowed to abuse the system at the expense of those who do get a job, do the right thing, pay taxes, pay their medical, pay for everything and find a way to take care of their family and neighbors.

Quit enabling those that won't, those that don't, those that say they can't – but can. Those of you who endorse such a sales tax is killing a vibrant population of givers. You're sucking us all dry and WE CAN'T AFFORD IT!

People will sell this card for cash even though it is cash. It will be squandered and not respected. Example: I was at Walmart one day and watched a family come out of the store with CASES of water and pouring them out on the side of the parking lot. They had their kids feeding the empty bottles into the redemption machine for the receipt so they could go back into the store and redeem them for cash. I lost it. I'd never done anything like this before, but I became a volcanic eruption. I told them what I thought and that I worked my ASS off as a sole breadwinner with a husband who is a disabled Veteran so that they could abuse the system, and that I never took from the government because it would cost my neighbor if I did so. I also gave them a parenting tutorial. Teach your children well with morals and ethics so they learn a life of dignity and contribution, not stealing!

If you put this sales tax on the ballot it will fail and you will have spent millions to fund a campaign to get it to pass. That said, even if you put it on the ballot and it fails you'll ram it through anyway because you believe that you were elected to dictate what you feel is best for a certain population. YOU'VE FORGOTTEN THE REST OF US WHO PAY FOR THIS STUFF!

1. Free Healthcare

2. Free Prescriptions
3. Free Dental
4. Free Mental Health Counseling
5. Free Job Counseling
6. Free Food
7. Free Housing and/or subsidies
8. Free Child Care
9. Free Head Start
10. Free SSI (might I add that this is so easy to get)
11. Free Welfare/TANF
12. Free EITC
13. Free General Assistance "GA"
14. Free Home-delivered meals
15. Free Transportation Assistance
16. Free Respite
17. Free Help in the home
18. Free Cell Phones and Technology
19. Free Drug Rehab

... you get the point; the list goes on and on.

Stop for ONE MINUTE and strike this bill on behalf of the majority. There is a HUGE population in this state that GIVES! We love helping, we are givers, we stock the food banks, we donate, we give away our clothes, our food, our money, our care and guidance, our resources, and more.

Recognize that you're creating a problem for the vast majority of Oregonians.

Sincerely,  
Julie Niles-Fry