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Fresh food is integral to children's health, so it must be available for every child in our state. However, with years of unemployment due to the pandemic, and skyrocketing inflation leading to higher food prices, Oregon is at a crisis point.

We have two paths before us. On the first path, we bolster our support for programs like Double Up Food Bucks, helping our state's SNAP recipients to afford healthy, fresh food for themselves and their children.

The other path forces our SNAP recipients to choose less nutritious options for themselves and their children, contributing to the plague of heart disease afflicting our state and nation that disproportionately affects low-income people.

Please join me in supporting HB 2728 so we can expand the critical Double Up Food Bucks program.

Thank you for your time.