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On Behalf

Of:

Committee: Joint Committee On Ways and Means Subcommittee On Human

Services

Measure: HB5026

Dear Committee,

Please include funding to increase the Oregon Supplemental Income Program (OSIP) monthly amount which is currently \$22. This program is supposed to help keep extremely impoverished disabled Oregonians receiving Supplemental Security Income (SSI) by helping fill the gap of benefits which don't adequate cover needs and have lost track with inflation. Oregon supplements SSI a very low amount compared to California and Washington. OSIP payments have not been increase in many years and the program isn't living up to its goals and intentions. You could do better than \$22? Why you not \$25, \$50 or even \$100 a month. California supplements by over \$300 a month. Want to address homelessness? How about support disabled Oregonians adequately so they don't become homeless.