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On Behalf Of:

Committee: Senate Committee On Human Services

Measure: SB186

I support SB 186 to increase the amount of monthly child support passed through to families who participate in temporary assistance for needy families programs.

I support the entire child support paid to be passed through to families who participate in temporary assistance for needy families programs.

These children are already suffering hardship and reducing the amount of their child support increases that hardship for these children.

Child support is intended to lessen that hardship, maintain their lifestyle, and provide them with opportunities they normally would not have access to.

Additionally, repeatedly I hear from people who pay child support, whose children are participating in temporary assistance for needy families programs, actually are discouraged in general and discouraged, disincentivized to pay their child support because the full amount does not reach, or benefit their children.

Let's put the children first. Give them their full child support regardless of whether they participate in temporary assistance for needy families programs.