



House Committee on Revenue

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RE: Support SB 1507

Chair Nathanson, Vice Chair Reschke and Walters, and Members of the Committee,

My name is Marisol Mora, and I am the Advocacy Director at Next Up Action Fund, an organization dedicated to building political power with young people to create a more just and equitable Oregon.

In July of 2025 the federal government enacted H.R.1., causing Oregon to lose *\$900 million* this biennium, with a projected additional loss of *\$15 billion* in the next six years. **Today, I am writing in support of SB 1507 which is an important step to disconnect from specific provisions of H.R.1. and mitigate its harmful impacts.**

According to a recent USDA report conducted in 2024, an estimated 1 in 8 Oregonians experienced food insecurity. This risk increases for children, with an estimated 1 in 6 children in Oregon experiencing food insecurity.¹² These data points are crucial to contextualize that **Oregon has already been navigating a hunger crisis.**

Now, following the unprecedented actions by the federal government, including historical cuts to the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP), the effects of H.R.1. are harrowing. **Food insecurity is only rising, and Oregon's working-class and low-income families, young people, and children are bearing the brunt of H.R.1.'s ongoing effects.**

¹ USDA, [Household Food Security in the United States in 2024](#) (2025)

² Partners for a Hunger Free Oregon, [Press Release](#) (2026)

As we discuss the actions of the federal government in relation to H.R.1, may it not be lost on us that the federal government has also been devastating Oregon communities in a myriad of ways. The warrantless immigration raids and attacks on Oregonians' constitutional rights deeply contribute to the economic hardship that many immigrants, mixed-status households, and Oregon residents are experiencing. The demand for immigration legal services has increased drastically since last year, and many of these households have been left to fend for themselves without their main breadwinner. **The Oregon Legislature's ongoing response to H.R.1 must be comprehensive and address the needs of the most vulnerable communities in our state.**

One of the key elements of SB 1507 we would like to uplift is the expansion of the Earned Income Tax Credit (EITC), a life-line for low-income to moderate-income families. According to the Center on Budget and Policy Priorities, a nonpartisan research and policy institute that advances federal and state policies to boost prosperity, "Census data show that in 2024 the EITC lifted about 4.4 million people above the poverty line, including 2.3 million children, based on the Supplemental Poverty Measure (SPM)."³ The EITC is a vital tool to keep families afloat, reduce poverty, and improve health outcomes for these individuals.

Next Up Action Fund urges your support of SB 1507, and **asks the Oregon Legislature to be thoughtful about utilizing reserves to prevent cuts to basic services, and further analyzing how our state can disconnect from tax giveaways to the ultra-wealthy.**

Thank you,
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³ Center on Budget and Policy Priorities, [The Earned Income Tax Credit](#) (2025)