

Good afternoon!

My name is Elizabeth Cunningham and I wanted to write the committee advising that I am a proponent of the HB 2111. With the rising costs of inflation seemingly having no end in sight, I believe reducing the sales and use tax for food and food ingredients and providing a sales tax exemption for children's diapers and feminine hygiene products would be incredibly beneficial to help my family. I have a two year old son and a 12 year old daughter, so the diapers and feminine hygiene products have a direct impact on our budgeting every month.

Our family used to have the ability to spend about \$200 on groceries (give or take) in a month and it has jumped to nearly \$500. Reducing the taxes on food can provide much needed relief on the cost as the inflation and supply and demand issues are much out of the committee's control.

While this would assist our family greatly in food, diaper and hygiene costs, I think the benefit is absolutely crucial to those who have even lower income than my family. I know there are individuals that are going hungry because they cannot afford food, and even though the sales and use tax may not seem like a lot to some, to others it could be the make or break difference of being able to purchase a food item for themselves or their children.

Thank you for your time!!