

**House Health and Human Services Committee
Testimony in Support of Sub Sub SB 95
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“A good political leader is one who, with the interests of all in mind, seizes the moment in a spirit of openness and pragmatism.”

Pope Francis to US Congress in September 2015

I like this quote from Pope Francis and I hope this committee will be open to the practical policy change within Sub Sub SB 95.

This bill permits non-profit agencies to help families apply for nutrition assistance via telephone. Allowing families to complete the 28-page application by phone will expedite much-needed nutrition assistance. It will also save the applicants the extra expense of gas money or loss of work time to file a paper application.

It is my experience that collaboration between non-profits and the governments programs benefit both the clients and the community.

I urge your support for the collaboration this bill enables.

Peace be with YOU.

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