



**The Oregon Business Association supports the
Working Family Child Care tax credit in Senate Bill 47.**

We support extending the sunset on the Working Family Child Care tax credit, as it provides families, particularly lower income families, assistance they need to balance work and child care.

This credit enables working families to better balance work and the costs of child care, and enables a more stable workforce contributing to the State's overall economic infrastructure.

"Like transportation, child care is part of our current economic infrastructure," says Ryan Deckert, president of the Oregon Business Association. "It is estimated that child care supports the productive functioning of 8% of Oregon's overall economy. Increasingly, forward-thinking Oregon businesses have begun offering child care to the employees with the understanding that when employees have safe, affordable arrangements for their children while they work, the workforce is stronger, more stable and more productive. In addition, providing child care for employees is an important recruitment and retention tool."

Child care is an important economic issue for many families, and the State can offer this incentive to support employees who need to balance work with child care.

The OBA supports the legislature in extending the sunset for Working Family Child Care credit to support Oregon's working families in Senate Bill 47.

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