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Subject: SB 729 Support

## Chair Gelser & Committee:

While I will be unable to attend today's hearing on SB 729 regarding tax credits for the adoption of foster children please give this due consideration. The ability to financially afford to adopt children in foster case is another encouragement, if not tool, to encourage long term loving homes for children. Far to often, foster children oversight falls through the cracks of our fragile system. Just a week ago, another failed DHS oversight was discovered when the Sheriff arrested two individual for starving foster children in their care in Yamhill County.

As the Senate's committee experts on foster care please give this bill consideration.

Sincerely,

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