

## HB 2139-1/HB 3028 makes the Oregon EITC work better for working families

The 2019 legislature can improve economic security for 900,000 Oregonians by enacting HB 2139-1/HB 3028, a bill to renew and raise the Oregon Earned Income Tax Credit (EITC).

### The EITC is a common sense tax credit for working families

- It encourages and rewards employment: you must work to earn the credit.
- It recognizes that many jobs don't pay enough to meet basic necessities: the credit boosts income for **900,000 Oregonians** one in every five.
- Because of its effectiveness, the credit has long enjoyed bipartisan support both in Congress and the Oregon legislature.

### The EITC boosts Oregon's economy

- It helps workers keep a job, better affording work essentials such as transportation.
- It lowers use of public assistance.
- · It decreases recidivism.
- Dollars are spent locally, generating economic activity in Oregon communities.

## The EITC helps Oregon students succeed

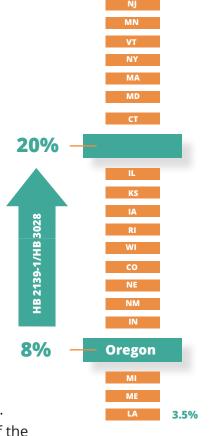
- The credit supports 4 of every 10 Oregon children, fostering:
  - · Improved health;
  - Better school performance;
  - Higher rates of graduation and college attendance; and
  - Higher earnings as adults.

### HB 2139-1/HB 3028 renews and raises the Oregon EITC

- The Oregon EITC is set to expire in 2020. Now is the time to renew it.
- HB 2139-1/HB 3028 improves the credit by raising it to 20 percent of the federal tax credit, putting Oregon on par with other states.
- The bill gives an enhanced credit of 25 percent to families with kids under age 3.
- It makes the credit more equitable by extending it to all workers who file a tax return and meet the income threshold, including those who file with an Individual Taxpayer Identification Number (ITIN).

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85%



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- American Association of University
  Women of Oregon
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- CASA of Oregon
- CASH Oregon
- Causa
- Central City Concern
- Children First
- Coalition of Communities of Color
- COFA Alliance National Network
- Community Action Partnership of Oregon
- Ecumenical Ministries of Oregon
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- Healthy Kids Learn Better Coalition
- · Human Services Coalition of Oregon
- League of Women Voters of Oregon
- Main Street Alliance
- Metropolitan Family Service
- Multnomah County
- NARAL Pro-Choice Oregon
- NEDCO/Willamette Neighborhood Housing Services

- Neighborhood Partnerships
- Open Adoption & Family Services
- Oregon AFL-CIO
- Oregon Business & Industry
- Oregon Business Council
- Oregon Center for Public Policy
- Oregon Food Bank
- Oregon Housing Alliance
- Oregon Law Center
- Oregon State Council for Retired Citizens
- Oregon Women's Rights Coalition
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